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Moussaoui: 'No Remorse'

9/11 conspirator mocks grieving witnesses at terror trial

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | Reasserting his role in Sept. 11, al Qaeda conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui told jurors Thursday he has "no regret, no remorse," was disgusted by the heart-rending testimony of victims and relatives and only wished they had suffered more.

As court-appointed defense lawyers began the last phase of their effort to save him from execution, Moussaoui put in a second unsettling appearance on the witness stand. For 2½ hours, Moussaoui argued with defense

lawyer Gerald Zerkin and Rob Spencer about when he had been telling the truth over the last four years and whether he was sane.

Among his most startling statements, Moussaoui said Army Lt. Col. John Thurman's harrowing account of escaping the burning Pentagon left him with "regret that he didn't die." He mocked a Navy officer who wept as she described the death of two subordinates in the attack on the Pentagon.

Asked if he was happy to hear her sobbing,



Moussaoui

he said, "Make my day."

Defense lawyers claim Moussaoui is lying about his role in Sept. 11 in hope of achieving martyrdom through execution. They have subpoenaed would-be shoe bomber Richard

Reid from a federal prison to ask him whether he was to be second-in-command of Moussaoui's hijack crew on 9/11 as Moussaoui testified. The trial resumes Monday. **MICHAEL J. SNIFFEN (AP)**

Bunnies Multiply as Easter Nears



HOP TO IT: Chocolate-maker Lieven Burie puts the finishing touches on chocolate Easter bunnies at his shop in Antwerp, Belgium, Thursday. This year's traditional White House Easter Egg Roll is scheduled for Monday. Free tickets will be available beginning Saturday morning at the Ellipse Visitor Pavilion.

THANKS Fancy Feast Sanjiang, China, residents gave more than 200 cats a huge banquet to thank them for wiping out crop-destroying rats, China Daily reported. Snakes had previously taken care of the rat problem, but as snake populations had



shrunk recently, the city spent more than \$1,500 to buy the felines. The cats were then released into 100 acres of farmland to eradicate the rats; farmers said they now expect a good harvest. On the menu at the appreciation dinner: fish. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

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Be Prepared — for Registration Renewal

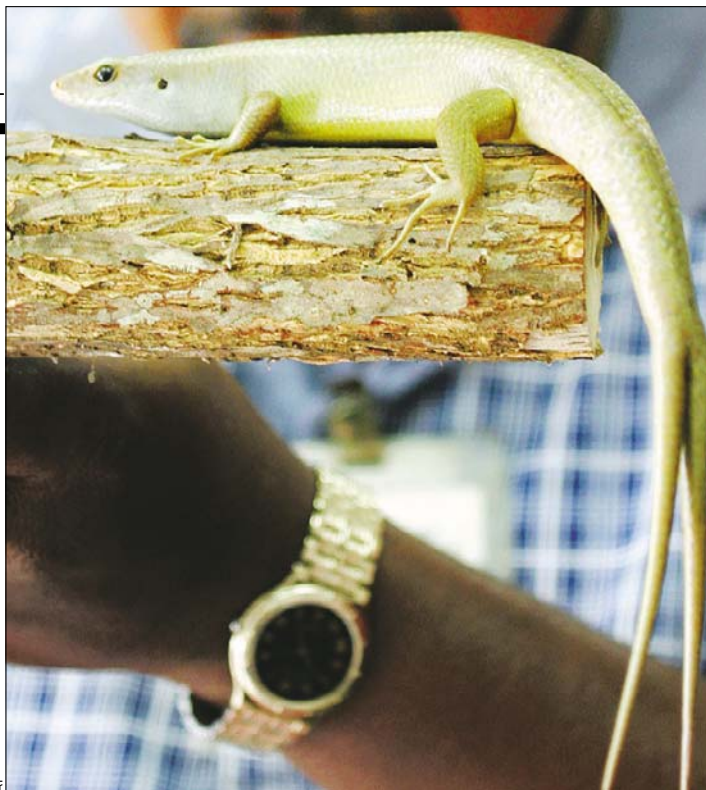
A Cub Scout troop in Roanoke, Va., lost its Web site domain after failing to renew its registration — and it was promptly bought by a porn site, the Roanoke Times reported. A company called Inseosite snatched up the domain, Pack216.org, for the Cub Scouts in Pack 216 and renamed it “Gute seiten aus dem erotik Internet” — German for “Good sites for Internet porn.” The site offers links to “porno download” and “erotischer index.” “We’ve been violated here,” said Dan Johnson, Scout executive for the Blue Ridge Mountains Council. “We’re outraged.” (EXPRESS)



RELIGION

And Thus Appeased The Pasta Lord's Will

A Kansas Board of Education member asked a Wichita school Wednesday to take down a picture of the Flying Spaghetti Monster, a fictional deity satirizing the state's policy to allow criticism of evolution to be taught in schools — but the school refused, the Wichita Eagle reported. Connie Morris was touring the school when she saw the picture of the being — a lump of spaghetti with eyes floating atop two meatballs — and asked that it be removed. The Gospel of the Flying Spaghetti Monster details an “alternate” creation story and was recently released in stores. (EXPRESS)



FREAKS

Tail Twin

How do you make an already kinda-creepy lizard even more creepy? Hmm ... howabout adding a long forked tail. Ahmad Mustafa, a Penang, Malaysia, farmer, showed off this two-tailed lizard at his home on Thursday, near where he had come across the split-tailed creature recently and then caught it. Fed a diet of worms, the lizard has now grown to 15 centimeters in length, and Mustafa says he treasures the animal as his personal pet. (EXPRESS)

PUNISHMENT FITTING CRIME

If It'd Been a Dollar, She'd Be in Jail Now

A Wigan, England, baliff was sent to the house of an 80-year-old grandmother to

collect unpaid rent of 8 cents, the Sun reported. Alice Nelson said she was “terrified” when the official demanded the money on the spot. She said she handed over the spare change, even though she thought it might have been

a joke. “We apologise for any distress but we are currently having a strong push to reduce both the amount of rent arrears and the actual number of people in arrears,” a housing company spokesman said. (EXPRESS)

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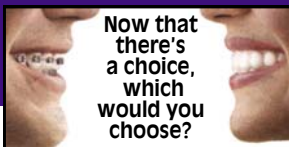
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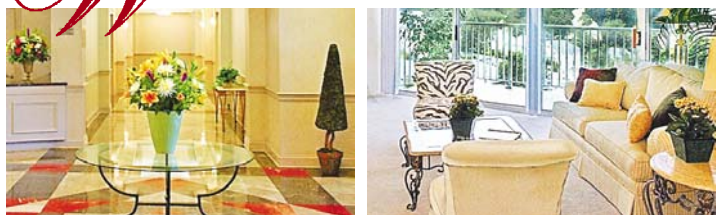


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Nation

The High Price to March

Immigrants cited for missing work, school to attend rallies

CHICAGO | Six employees at a seafood restaurant in Houston were fired this week after skipping work to take part in a pro-immigration march. In Detroit, 21 immigrants lost their jobs as meat cutters after attending a similar protest last month.

Across the country, workers and students have paid a price for attending the immigration rallies that have recently swept the nation. They have lost jobs or been cited for truancy for joining the hundreds of thousands



Protesters march at an immigration rally in Toledo, Ohio, on Wednesday.

who have protested proposed federal legislation that would crack down on illegal immigrants.

In one case, the family of a 14-year-old Los Angeles-area boy said he committed suicide because he was

threatened by a school official for participating in protests. School officials disputed that.

Now, some rally organizers are telling people not to risk their jobs or education to attend the demonstrations and are considering rescheduling protests to weekends and evenings. Others say marchers want to make the sacrifice to show the importance of immigration reform.

In some cases, fired workers have been offered their jobs back after advocacy groups have gotten involved, including the 21 Detroit meatpacking company workers.

ANNA JOHNSON (AP)

NEW MEXICO | BEATING THE HEAT



CATCH A WAVE: A Polar Bear stays cool as it does a little disk surfing at the Rio Grande Zoo in Albuquerque, N.M., on Thursday. Native to the Arctic Ocean, the bears love to stay cool during warmer temperatures.

Bush, Reid Trade Insults Over Immigration Reform

Lawmakers play blame game on guest worker bill stalled in Senate

WASHINGTON | President Bush accused Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid on Thursday of "single-handedly thwarting" action on immigration legislation, and got a brisk retort in return.

"President Bush has as much credibility on immigration as he does on Iraq and national security," shot back the Nevada Democrat.

The exchange was the latest in a series of maneuvers among party

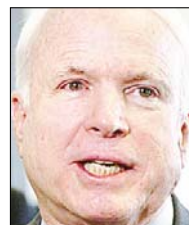
leaders trying to assign blame for Senate gridlock over comprehensive immigration legislation. A pending measure would strengthen border security, create a guest worker program and offer eventual citizenship illegal immigrants.



Reid

Supporters claim the bill has the votes to pass. It was sidetracked last week when Reid and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., could not agree on a voting procedure. DAVID ESPOE (AP)

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"Many of our Republican supporters are not happy because we are spending money like a drunken sailor."

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White House spokesman Scott McClellan rebuffs calls for Rumsfeld to go | **Today, A Section**

IN The Washington Post

Officer: Duke Victim Was Intoxicated

DURHAM, N.C. | A woman who claims she was raped by members of Duke University's lacrosse team was described as "just passed-out drunk" by one of the first police officers to see her, according to a recording of radio traffic obtained Thursday by The Associated Press.

The conversation between the officer and a police dispatcher took place about 1:30 a.m. March 14. The officer gave the dispatcher the police code for an intoxicated person and said the woman was unconscious. When asked whether she needed medical help, the officer

said: "She's breathing and appears to be fine. She's not in distress. She's just passed-out drunk."

The black woman, a 27-year-old stripper and college student, told police she was raped and beaten by three white men around midnight at an off-campus party thrown by Duke's lacrosse team.

TIM WHITMIRE (AP)

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The amount, in millions, the winning Powerball lottery ticket sold at a St. Louis, Mo., convenience store is worth, the largest ever in Missouri. Twelve Social Services employees stepped forward Thursday to claim the prize.

Man Admits to Killing 6 Relatives

Pa. suspect charged with murders after bodies found in house

LEOLA, PA | A young man was charged Thursday with bludgeoning or strangling six relatives whose bodies were found wrapped in sheets and blankets in the basement of his grandmother's home.

Authorities said Jesse Dee Wise, 21, confessed, but they would not comment on a motive. The victims spanned three generations of the same family; the youngest was just 5 years old.

Three of the victims were hit in the head with a blunt metal object, and three others were strangled, police said in an affidavit.

Wise was arraigned on six counts of criminal homicide. As a judge recited the charges, Wise



TAKEN IN: Police escort Jesse Dee Wise, center, out of a Leola, Pa., court Thursday.

seemed to read along with a listing of the victims.

"When will I get a lawyer?" he asked.

Wise was ordered held without bail. The judge set a preliminary

hearing for April 20.

Investigators discovered bone fragments, hair and a hammer in two upstairs bedrooms. There also appeared to be blood on the walls and ceilings, authorities said.

Police found two 17-inch pieces of metal in the home that appeared to have blood on them. The objects were wrapped at one end with cloth and "had the appearance of a homemade weapon/club, capable of causing death if used as a weapon," according to the affidavit.

Police found several bodies wrapped in sheets and blankets and piled on the basement floor, one of them with obvious head wounds, according to the affidavit. One body was at the bottom of the steps wrapped in a comforter secured with a phone cord. The affidavit also described blood in the rooms and bone fragments.

In addition to Emily Wise, the victims were Wanda Wise, 45; Arlene Wise, who is in her 30s; Skyler Wise, 19; Chance Wise, 5; and Jesse James Wise, 17.

MARK SCOLFORO (AP)

In Brief

GRANADA, COLO.

5 Killed, 2 Injured In SUV's Collision With Freight Train

A freight train collided with a sport utility vehicle near the Kansas state line Thursday, killing five people in the SUV, police said. Two people in the SUV suffered serious injuries in the collision where tracks cross a county road that cuts through farm fields outside Granada, the Colorado State Patrol said. No one aboard the BNSF Railway train was hurt, authorities said. (AP)

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

Police Drop Rape Charges Against Air Force Cadet

Prosecutors dropped a felony rape charge against an Air Force Academy cadet who had been accused of assaulting a 17-year-old high school student at a party. Deputy District Attorney Diana May filed a motion Wednesday to dismiss the first-degree sexual assault charge against Nicholas O. Martin, 21, saying the alleged victim refused to testify. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Autopsies Prompt Calls for Health Care for 9/11 Victims

A new autopsy attributing a 34-year-old New York police detective's death this year to exposure to toxic Sept. 11 dust should spur the government to do more for sick ground zero workers, lawmakers said Wednesday. The federal official charged with overseeing the government's Sept. 11 health programs will examine the autopsy report and plans to meet again with the lawmakers to discuss the matter, a spokesman said. (AP)

FBI Re-Examines 1946 Lynchings

ATLANTA | Nearly 60 years after a white mob lynched two black couples on a summer afternoon and got away with it, the FBI is taking another look at the case.

FBI agent Stephen Emmett said the case is being reviewed "to ensure that any recent technology or techniques could be used to enhance the prior investigation."

Civil rights activists have pressed witnesses to come forward and break the silence, which they say is the nation's last unsolved public lynching.



Ga. police investigate the scene where four were lynched in this 1946 file photo.

Roger and Dorothy Malcom and George and Mae Murray Dorsey were riding with a white farmer when they were killed on July 25, 1946, a few days after Roger Malcom got into a fight with a white man.

GREG BLUESTEIN (AP)

Police: Kan. Teen's Kidnapping a Hoax

INDEPENDENCE, KAN. | A 16-year-old girl's story of being kidnapped at gunpoint from her family's driveway and then held in a white van for hours was a hoax, authorities said Thursday.

Police and FBI agents said Kelsey Stelting acknowledged Thursday morning that it never happened and said she instead spent the day alone not far from town.

The reported abduction around dawn Tuesday led Kansas officials to issue an Amber Alert, the FBI brought in 30 agents and other personnel to join the search.

Kelsey was missing for about 15

hours before turning up at a stranger's home. She said she had clobbered her assailant and was able to escape.



Stelting

report that she had been abducted, and then stayed there alone.

Kelsey could be charged with filing a false report. Authorities would not say Thursday what motivated the girl to report a fake abduction. (AP)

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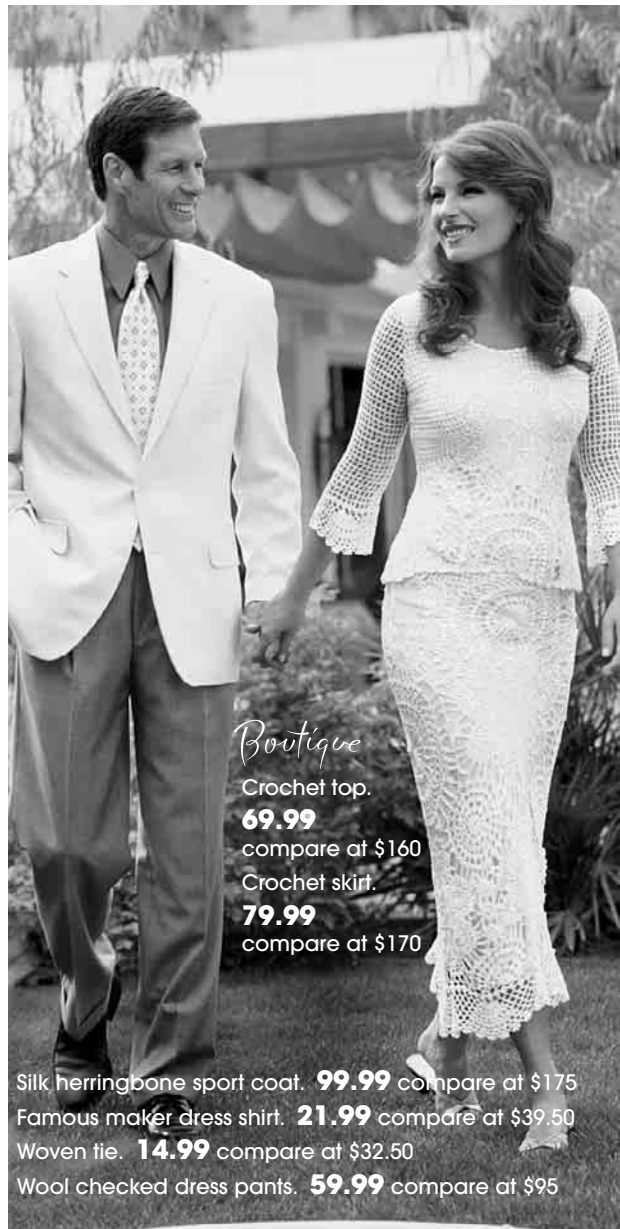
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Disney Ride Open Day After Death

German woman is second to die on Fla. resort's space rocket

ORLANDO, FLA. | Walt Disney World reopened its "Mission: Space" attraction Thursday, a day after a German died after feeling ill when she got off the ride.

Engineers said the ride was working properly. The 49-year-old woman, who was not named, reported dizziness and nausea after her ride Tuesday, Disney officials said. She was taken to Celebration Hospital, where she died Wednesday. Disney told state officials she may have suffered from high blood pressure and other unspecified health problems.

"The family said they do not want any information released. They've asked us to honor their request for privacy," Disney spokeswoman Kim Prunty said.

It was the second death in less than a year related to the Epcot attraction, which has motion sickness bags and signs warning people

with heart, back and neck problems not to ride. The popular attraction spins riders in a centrifuge that subjects them to twice the normal force of gravity, and is so intense that some riders have been taken to hospitals with chest pain.

But the theme park said Thursday that "Walt Disney World engineers and ride system experts completed a thorough inspection of the attraction overnight and found it to be operating properly."

Disney also closed the space ride in June after the death of a 4-year-old Pennsylvania boy who passed out while aboard the attraction.

An autopsy determined Daudi Bamuwanye, of Sellersville, Pennsylvania, died of an irregular heartbeat linked to natural causes. The boy had an abnormal thickening of the heart muscle that can throw heart contractions out of coordination.

People with the condition are at risk for sudden death throughout their lives, especially in stressful situations, a medical examiner said. TRAVIS REED (AP)

NEW YORK | CAT EXTRACTION



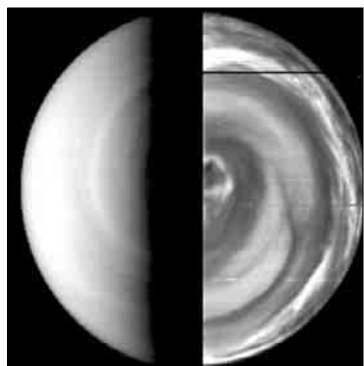
BAIT: Animal control officer Glenn Andrews holds Cleo, who was brought to New York's Keswick deli on Thursday in an attempt to lure Molly, an 11-month-old cat, from a building where she has been trapped for two weeks.

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The amount, in millions, that a state-owned New Zealand mining company said Thursday it will shell out to move a colony of endangered snails from the site of a planned coal mine. A team of 15 snail catchers will aid in the effort.

World

In Brief



This image shows a composite view of swirling clouds on Venus' south pole.

BERLIN

European Space Probe Takes New Photos of Venus

European scientists released new photos of Venus' south pole Thursday, revealing a swirling mass of sulfuric acid clouds powered by 220 mph winds. The clouds, 13 miles deep, completely enclose Venus. The images were taken from the European Space Agency's orbiting Venus Express spacecraft from a distance of roughly 124,000 miles. As the spacecraft tightens its orbit in coming months, scientists expect it to capture more detailed and revealing images of Venus from a distance of only about 155 miles. (AP)

PARIS

Lawmakers Give Final OK To Newly Revised Jobs Law

Parliament's upper house approved a fast-track revision Thursday to a divisive youth jobs plan that brought masses to the streets, completing an embarrassing about-face for French President Jacques Chirac's government. The revised bill came after the government of Prime Minister Dominique de Villepin backpedaled on a bolder initiative that sparked massive street protests. (AP)

BANGALORE, INDIA

At Least 2 Killed as Late Actor's Fans Spark Melees

Thousands of distraught fans smashed cars, burned buses and battled with police Thursday in the streets of Bangalore, angry they had been unable to view the body of south Indian film icon Raj Kumar. Local media said two people had been killed and dozens injured, but no official toll was available. (AP)

Iran: No Retreat From Enrichment

U.N. nuclear chief fails to persuade Tehran to suspend nuke activity

TEHRAN, IRAN | Iran rebuffed a request by the U.N. nuclear agency chief in talks Thursday that it suspend uranium enrichment, and President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad insisted his country will not retreat "one iota."

The chief, Mohamed ElBaradei, looked much less optimistic after the four hours of talks with Iran's top nuclear negotiator, Ali Larijani, than he had when he arrived for the one-day visit and said the time

was "ripe" for a political solution to the standoff.

ElBaradei, who is hoping to head off a confrontation between Tehran and the Security Council, put forward the U.N. request for Iran to suspend enrichment until questions over its nuclear program are resolved.

But Larijani indicated suspension was not an option. "Such proposals are not very important ones," he told reporters matter-of-factly while standing next to ElBaradei at a joint news conference.

Hours earlier, Ahmadinejad said enrichment was a line in the sand from which the Iranians would



IAEA chief Mohamed ElBaradei said Thursday that the extent of Tehran's nuclear program is "not very clear."

not retreat.

"We won't hold talks with anyone about the right of the Iranian nation (to enrich uranium), and no one has the right to retreat, even one iota," Ahmadinejad was quoted as saying by the official Islamic Republic News Agency.

Iran says its nuclear work is solely for civilian purposes, but the U.S. and a number of its allies believe it is after a nuclear arsenal.

ElBaradei said the extent of Iran's nuclear program was uncertain: "We have not seen diversion of nuclear material for weapons purposes, but the picture is still hazy and not very clear." (AP)

NEPAL | EMBATTLED KING CALLS FOR NEW DIALOGUE



STEADFAST: Pro-democracy supporters protest against King Gyanendra in Kathmandu, Nepal, Thursday. In a message for Nepal's new year following a week of the anti-government protests in which four people have died, Gyanendra called for dialogue with opposition parties and said a general election should be held, although he did not specify a date.

Terror Suspect Dies in Pakistani Raid

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN | An al Qaeda member wanted for his suspected role in the bombings of U.S. embassies in East Africa was killed by Pakistani forces in a raid near the Afghan border, a Pakistani Cabinet minister said Thursday.

Egyptian Mohsin Musa Matawalli Atwah, 45, who was on

the FBI's list of most-wanted terrorists, was killed along with at least six other militants in a raid led by helicopter gunships late Wednesday in the remote North Waziristan village of Naghar Kalai, the minister said on condition of anonymity.

Another senior Pakistani intelligence official said military reports

from the field indicated that Atwah had been killed in the attack. The intelligence official also declined to be identified.

U.S. authorities had posted a \$5 million bounty for Atwah, who was accused of involvement in the Aug. 7, 1998, bombings of the U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya that killed more than 200 people, including 12 Americans. (AP)

U.S. Steps Up Patrols In Baghdad

Car bombing kills 15 in Shiite area of city as violence intensifies

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | U.S. troops have sharply increased patrols in Baghdad since the spike in sectarian violence, a U.S. general said Thursday, raising questions about the capabilities of Iraqi forces. A car bomb killed at least 15 people in a Shiite area of the capital.

At least 21 other people, including an American soldier, were killed Thursday.

With sectarian violence on the rise in Baghdad, the U.S. command boosted the number of armed patrols in the capital from 12,000 in February to 20,000 since the beginning of March, Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch told reporters.

Lynch said the increase provides a "more visible presence ... in the streets of Baghdad," which he said insurgents consider their "center of gravity" to stop formation of a new unity government.

Tit-for-tat killings between Shiites and Sunnis soared after the Feb. 22 bombing of a major Shiite shrine in Samarra. (AP)

World



TRASHED CASH: Japanese police on Thursday returned \$42,200 in cash to a man whose wife accidentally threw it out with the trash, a news report said. A sanitation worker had found the cash at a garbage facility and filed a report with police.

Girl's Own Heart Replaces Transplant

LONDON | A girl who was given a second heart 10 years ago had the extra organ removed after her own heart grew strong enough to pump on its own, her doctor said Thursday.

Hannah Clark suffered from cardiomyopathy, a condition in which her heart became inflamed and weak, and doctors transplanted a donor heart to "piggyback" on her diseased one, said Dr. Victor Tsang, one of the 12-year-old's surgeons.

Hannah developed severe immune system problems recently, and doctors decided to remove the donor heart so they could take Hannah off the drugs she needed to keep her body from rejecting it.



Clark

The doctors determined that

Hannah's own heart had recovered sufficiently to work on its own, Tsang said.

"It is a very unique situation for a piggyback heart transplant to offer a window, a period of time, for the diseased heart to recover sufficiently to take over the circulation again 10 years later," he said.

The hospital said it believed Hannah's operation was the first of its kind in Britain. (AP)

Chad Confronts Rebels in Capital

Troops said to repel bid to seize power in troubled oil-rich nation

N'DJAMENA, CHAD | Government forces used attack helicopters, tanks and heavy weapons in a fierce battle with rebels Thursday as a power struggle in oil-producing Chad reached the capital.

President Idriss Deby, who himself seized power in a 1990 coup, has seen his authority undermined by violence across the border in Sudan's Darfur. The president said his soldiers repelled the second attempt to overthrow him in a month, but few in this volatile African country believe the struggle is over.

Residents of the outlying neighborhoods that felt the brunt of the attack moved into the center of the city late Thursday in anticipation of another offensive.

In just three days, the rebel United Front for Change charged 620 miles in pickups from their bases on the border with the troubled Darfur region and came close to capturing the National Assembly building in N'djamena.

Four tanks guarded the presidential palace on Thursday night, and Associated Press reporters saw 13 bodies in the streets; residents reported seeing many more.

The raid showed how little control Deby wields in the countryside



A REGION IN TURMOIL

Civil war has racked Chad since independence from France in 1960:

Population: 9,944,201 (2006 est.)

Pop. Below Poverty Line: 80% (2001)

Religious Groups: Muslim 51%, Christian 35%, animist 7%, other 7%

Oil Production, 2005
(Millions of barrels per day)

Nigeria	2.6
Libya	1.6
Sudan	0.4
Chad	0.2

Sources: World Bank, EIA, ESRI, AP

in a tumultuous part of the world where rebel groups cruise across the desert at will.

The competition for power in Chad has become more intense since the country began producing oil. An Exxon Mobil-led consortium exported 133.2 million barrels of oil from Chad between October 2003 and December 2005, according to the World Bank. ABAKAR SALEH (AP)

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EASTER | FINDERS KEEPERS



EGGED ON: A meerkat guards an Easter egg containing a tasty treat of meal worms at the London Zoo on Thursday. Meerkats are natives of the African desert and enjoy eating insects, small mammals, scorpions and snakes.



"After it just went away, I was just, like, so proud, and I was happy because I knew a lot of people were really scared."

— David Dingman-Grover, 11, of Sterling, Va., a year after his tumor, "Frank," was removed

Local

2nd Suit on Profiling Filed

Montgomery County police again accused of race-based stops

ROCKVILLE | A second black motorist has filed a lawsuit against the Montgomery County police, claiming officers pulled him over and handcuffed him because of his race.

Terrance Anthony Robinson, 49, filed a lawsuit Wednesday against

the county and the officer who stopped the martial arts instructor Jan. 14 as he drove on Colesville Road in Silver Spring. Robinson was on his way to his studio, Jow Hop Kuen Gung Fu Academy.

Last week, a Prince George's County restaurateur filed suit saying he was stopped, searched and arrested because he is black. Both men are represented by attorney Jimmy Bell.

"It is disturbing that it appears

that the Montgomery County police are using 1950s tactics to illegally stop, handcuff and search black men without legal reason or just cause," Bell said.

Patricia Via, a county attorney, said the county takes racial profiling seriously, but noted both cases with similar circumstances were filed within a week by the same attorney.

"We're going to defend them vigorously," Via said. (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS:
Nearly 50 percent of all undergraduates in Maryland last year were enrolled in community college. (AP)

The Washington Post | FIRE IN CHANTILLY



TRACY A. WOODWARD/TWP

SUSPICIONS AROUSED: Police are investigating the possibility that arson was responsible for seven townhouses catching fire — starting at this residence — in the South Riding development. Officials said that more than \$2 million in damage was caused by the blaze. | **Inside Metro**

In Brief

WASHINGTON

Price of a Green Nationals Stadium May be \$10 Million

The cost of building the Nationals ballpark could increase by millions of dollars if the project is to be certified as environmentally friendly. The D.C. Sports and Entertainment Commission says adding the necessary features could cost as much as \$10 million. The city's goal is to min-

Prosecutors to Re-Try Mother in Neglect Case

Mistrial declared on a federal charge after boy is left on Beltway

FAIRFAX | Prosecutors will seek a new trial for a woman who allegedly abandoned her 4-year-old son along the Capital Beltway, after jurors couldn't decide on a felony child neglect charge.

Jurors reported the deadlock Wednesday after more than five hours of deliberations in the trial of Channoah A. Green. Fairfax Circuit Court Judge Marcus D. Williams declared a mistrial.

One of the jurors said that seven wanted to convict Green and four wanted to find her not guilty by reason of insanity. One was undecided.

"I felt like she was temporarily under duress," said juror Elaine Elias, who wanted to acquit. "She seemed like a wonderful parent up until that time."

On July 26, state police said Green left her child on the side of Interstate 495 in the Falls Church area, then drove off, striking him slightly as she pulled away.

Prosecutors argued that Green, 23, had been neglectful. (AP)

imize water pollution, reduce waste and save energy. The D.C. Council has capped spending on the ballpark at \$611 million, while calling for features that would meet standards set by the U.S. Green Building Council. Commission spokesman Tony Robinson said the agency is seeking outside grants to offset costs of meeting those standards. (AP)

BALTIMORE

Man Surrenders Peacefully After Taking Clerk Hostage

A drug suspect has been returned

to police custody after holding a clerical employee hostage inside a police district station for about three hours Thursday. The suspect surrendered without injuring the female employee, said Northeastern District Commander Major Antonio Rodriguez. The suspect, 21, had been brought to Northeastern District about noon after being arrested on a narcotics charge. He was wearing handcuffs but was somehow able overpower an officer and fled to an office. He held the clerk hostage with a pair of scissors. (AP)

Mom in Missing Child Case Released

WASHINGTON | A Wilmington, Del., woman accused of kidnapping her daughter from D.C. nearly 13 years ago has been ordered released to

a halfway house. Prosecutors had asked that Mary Jane Byrd be held on \$1,000 bond.

Byrd is accused of fleeing with

her daughter, Marilyn, in 1993, after a court awarded visitation to the father, Carl Dodd. U.S. Marshals caught up with Byrd on Wednesday, ending one of the country's oldest missing-child cases. (AP)

The Lotteries

Thursday, April 13

DISTRICT

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	8-4-6
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	0-3-1
Evening Lucky Numbers (Thurs.)	0-0-4
Mid-day DC 4	5-5-1-2
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	2-1-3-9
Evening DC 4 (Thurs.)	4-3-3-7
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	3-5-9-13-24
Rolling Cash Five (Thurs.)	5-35-10-18-15
Daily 6 (Wed.)	3-16-23-32-36-37 (33)
Daily 6 (Thurs.)	6-33-30-38-10-21 (5)

Hot Lotto (Wed.) **4-5-7-8-19 (11)**

MARYLAND

Mid-day Pick 3	9-8-9
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	3-2-9
Evening Pick 3 (Thurs.)	2-6-8
Mid-day Pick 4	7-2-4-2
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-9-4-3
Evening Pick 4 (Thurs.)	8-5-8-6
Match 5 (Wed.)	10-18-25-26-38 (33)
Match 5 (Thurs.)	3-13-27-28-32 (7)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	1-20-26-27-35-37

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3	8-1-6
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Evening Pick 3 (Wed.) **6-3-6**

Mid-day Pick 4	0-6-1-8
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-1-3-7
Mid-day Cash 5	1-2-18-21-30
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	4-7-8-11-32
Win For Life (Wed.)	11-24-26-30-32-40 (12)

MULTI-STATE GAMES

Powerball (Wed.)	16-26-34-35-41 (24)
Power Play	XX

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Money



LESS TAXING: The IRS made it a little easier to procrastinate this year. Not only do taxpayers have two or three extra days to file, they also can ask for the first time for an automatic six-month extension. Nearly 88 million taxpayers have filed returns thus far.

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
KatyInd h	3.60	+0.30	+9.1
RetailVent	15.29	+1.23	+8.7
Cryolife	4.85	+0.38	+8.5
Salton	2.88	+0.22	+8.3
KemetCp	10.80	+0.74	+7.4

Losers

UnivTInst	23.88	-5.47	-18.6
CascdeCp	44.00	-6.92	-13.6
AMD	31.80	-3.62	-10.2
DoralFin lf	9.50	-.67	-6.6
MillsCp lf	28.55	-1.78	-5.9

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Aspreva g	27.95	+4.41	+18.7
AehrTest	5.77	+0.70	+13.8
Synergetc n	7.93	+0.94	+13.4
Nanomtr	14.71	+1.67	+12.8
PokerTek n	15.11	+1.62	+12.0

Losers

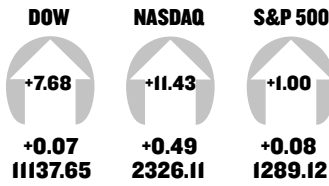
Phazar	9.65	-3.67	-27.6
Terabeam	2.95	-.79	-21.1
TaylrDv	6.13	-1.57	-20.4
LightPh	5.04	-.71	-12.3
Nutrition21	2.07	-.25	-10.7

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	7.75	7.75
Fed Funds close	4.8125	4.75
3-month disc	4.58	4.58
2-year	4.95	4.84
10-year	5.05	4.91
30-year	5.13	4.98

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5708	.5714	.5280
Canadian Dollar	1.1511	1.1479	1.2380
European Euro	.8258	.8262	.7745
Japanese Yen	118.43	118.52	107.37
Mexican Peso	11.1000	11.0461	11.0660
Taiwanese Dollar	32.49	32.48	31.53



Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	41.50	-.14	+5.2
Allergan	102.31	+0.33	-5.2
AstraZen	51.50	+0.33	+6.0
BarrPhm	61.56	+0.72	-1.2
BrMySq	24.04	-.02	+4.6
ForestLab	42.98	+0.20	+5.7
Hospira	36.95	-.02	-13.6
IvaxCorp	25.98	...	-17.1
JohnJn	57.91	+0.04	-3.6
LillyEli	53.27	-.15	-5.9
Merck	33.94	+0.09	+6.7
Pfizer	24.50	+0.08	+5.1
SchergPI	18.38	-.17	-11.8
Sepracor	47.98	+0.57	-7.0
Wyeth	46.22	-.48	+3

Ford Plants in Va., Minn. Will Close

Closures are part of automaker's plan to cut up to 30,000 jobs

DETROIT | Ford Motor Co., which is closing plants and cutting jobs in an effort to improve results from its North American auto business, said Thursday that it will shutter assembly plants in Norfolk, Va., and St. Paul, Minn., in 2008.

The two plants employ about 4,300 hourly and salaried workers.

"A decision to end production at a plant is not an easy one, and I'm deeply mindful of the impact this decision has on Ford employees, families and communities," Mark Fields, Ford's president of the Americas, said in a statement.

The nation's second-biggest automaker announced in January that it would close 14 plants by 2012, but only identified five of them. It said at the time that it would name two more plants later in the year.



A worker at Ford's Norfolk, Va., plant reacts to news of the facility's closure.

Ford, in a news release announcing the closures, said the staff reductions in Virginia and Minnesota are part of the 25,000 to 30,000 job cuts announced in January.

Ford's bigger rival, General Motors Corp., also is in the midst of a major restructuring and plans to close 12 plants by 2008.

The Twin Cities assembly plant in St. Paul makes the Ford Ranger compact pickup, which has seen sales decline sharply in recent years. The Norfolk facility makes the popular F-150 pickup. (AP)

HEARSAY | BUSINESS SENSE



"I bled Enron blue. I believed in this company. I believed this was a fine company [in 2001] ... a vibrant company in fact."

—FORMER ENRON CEO JEFFREY SKILLING
TESTIFYING THURSDAY IN HIS FRAUD TRIAL, WHERE HE LASHED OUT AT FEDERAL PROSECUTORS OVER THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM

Google Launches Calendar Service

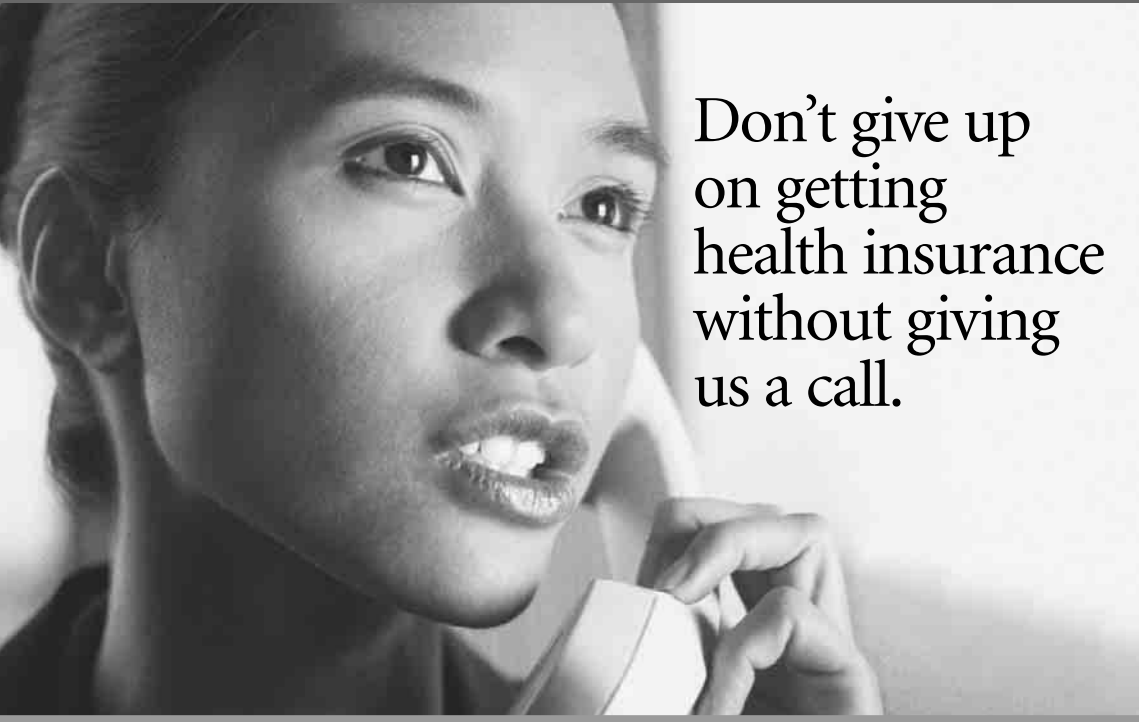
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CALIF. | Google Inc., the top online search engine, is unveiling a calendar service that allows users to store appointments online, receive reminders about them and share those plans with others.

The offering is designed to make it easy for users to add entries, said Carl Sjogreen, product manager for Google Calendar.

Gmail, Google's mail service, has been modified to automatically recognize when messages mention an event so recipients can seamlessly add it to their calendar. Users can also add entries in simple text, such as "Coffee with Mom on Sunday at 11 a.m. at Cafe La Boheme," eliminating the need to fill out forms.

The new service gives Google fuel as it competes against Yahoo, which has offered a calendar service since 1998 and in October acquired Upcoming.org, an event planning site. (AP)

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Sports Weekend



TONI L. SANDS/TWP

HAT IN HAND: Catcher Brian Schneider is one of the many Nationals to express frustration for deep RFK's outfield is.

The War at Home

Nationals hitters open up on their hatred for RFK's long fences

NATIONALS | It seemed like an odd thing to say for a player who had just hit a home run, but Jose Vidro felt like it needed to be said.

RFK Stadium is way too big.

"This ballclub was last [in 2005] in scoring runs. There was a big reason for it—the stadium," the Nationals second baseman said. "And I'm pretty sure we're going to be close to finishing last this year because of the way the ballpark plays. It killed us last year and it's going to kill us this year."

The frustration was evident in the Washington clubhouse Wednesday on a night when the home team had watched two long drives get caught at the wall — and then lost the game by two runs. "It really just takes the breath out of you," catcher Brian Schneider said.

The markers on the outfield wall read 410 feet to dead center and 380 feet to the power alleys, though some say the alleys are significantly deeper. Nationals officials heard complaints last year when the team scored just 639 runs, 268 fewer than the Boston Red Sox. But figuring the team could win on defense and pitching, the decision was made not to shorten the field. In

fact, the team's new stadium, set to open in 2008, will have similar dimensions and team president Tony Tavares said he expects it to also favor the pitchers.

"In this ballpark, you've really got to play small ball," Schneider said of RFK.

However, they have struggled to get runners on base and advance them. The only two players in the lineup with outstanding speed were Brandon Watson and Alfonso Soriano, but Watson was demoted Thursday to Triple-A.

Jose Guillen, who led the club in home runs in 2005, hit 21 of his 24 home runs on the road. He was among the most vocal critics of the

expansive field last year, but seems resigned to the situation this year.

"That's not in my mind anymore," he said. "I'm just here to play baseball."

But this week, in the midst of a losing streak, his teammates felt compelled to vent their frustrations. The danger is that the field is getting inside batters' heads and players may feel at a disadvantage even in their home stadium.

"This is not by any means a major league ballpark. It's like an airplane field," Vidro said. "They had plenty of time to work on it, but they didn't do it and now we have to deal with it." **DEREK TURNER**

JON STEWARTS | Body Slam An embarrassed charter school has discovered it booked the wrong Jon Stewart for its annual gala. The DaVinci Academy thought it had made a deal with comedian Jon Stewart, star of "The Daily Show" and host of this year's Academy Awards, to appear



next week. It sent out 500 invitations to businesses and planned for 900 people. But last week, it learned that it had booked Jon A. Stewart, a former motivational speaker, businessman and part-time professional wrestler from Chicago. The school is offering refunds. (AP)

TV Lineup

→ **PLAYOFF PUSH:** The Wizards try to clinch a playoff spot when facing the Chicago Bulls Friday (8 p.m. on CSN) and hosting the Cleveland Cavaliers Sunday (6 p.m. on CSN).

→ **ICE AGE:** The Washington Capitals visit the Florida Panthers on Saturday (7:30 p.m. on CSN).



Colon

→ **HEAVENLY:** The Orioles host the Angels this weekend. Pitching is: Rodrigo Lopez vs. Ervin Santana Friday (7 p.m. on CSN); Erik Bedard vs. Bartolo Colon

(4:30 p.m. on WJZ), Kris Benson vs. John Lackey (1:30 p.m. on CSN).

→ **DYNAMO:** D.C. United hosts the Houston Dynamo on Saturday (7:30 p.m. on HDNet).

→ **TEE TIME:** Peter Lonard is the defending champion of the Heritage, which ends on Sunday (3 p.m. on CBS) in Hilton Head, S.C. The biggest name in the field is Ernie Els, as Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson are resting after the Masters.



→ **FISHIN':** Pitching matchups for the Nats at Florida: Ryan Drese vs. Dontrelle Willis Friday (7:30 p.m. on Channel 20), John Patterson vs. Scott Olsen Saturday (6 p.m. on MASN), Ramon Ortiz vs. Sergio Mitre Sunday (1 p.m. on Sunday).

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OFF BASE: Jose Vidro catches New York Mets Jose Reyes in a rundown trying to steal second base in the Nats' loss Thursday.

Nationals Swept by Mets

Hernandez allows 3 homers in first inning of New York's 13-4 win

NATIONALS | The heart of the New York Mets' lineup made it perfectly clear Thursday it's possible to hit the ball over the wall at RFK Stadium. Over and over again, to all parts of the park.

Carlos Beltran, David Wright and Cliff Floyd homered in the first inning, and Carlos Delgado later tacked on a two-run shot, all off All-Star Livan Hernandez, starting the Mets on their way to a 13-4 win over the Nationals.

Thanks to their formidable lineup, the Mets have won six consecutive games.

Washington, meanwhile, has lost five in a row, outscored 35-13 in that span.

After Wednesday's defeat, veteran Jose Vidro renewed a complaint heard often from the Nationals in the second half of 2005: RFK's dimensions are too big, and that's hurting the home team.

Even Vidro had to chuckle when asked about the irony of the Mets' barrage less than 24 hours after his comments.

"They did score a lot of runs," Vidro said. "Why can't we do that

in the same ballpark?"

For one thing, the Nationals' lineup isn't as stacked as the Mets' is. New York's 4-5-6 hitters, Delgado, Wright and Floyd, went a combined 7-for-9 with six RBIs against Hernandez.

"Everything I throw, they hit it," said Hernandez, who fell to 1-2 with a 7.00 ERA. "Every time you make a mistake, the hitter's going to pay you back. I made a lot of mistakes today."

The loss left manager Frank Robinson disturbed.

"This ballclub is showing signs of not going anywhere," Robinson said. **HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)**

Nats Notes

ROSTER SHUFFLE
Watson Demoted to Make Room for Church's Return

The struggling Nationals optioned outfielder Brandon Watson and backup catcher Wiki Gonzalez to Triple-A New Orleans on Thursday and recalled outfielder Ryan Church and infielder Brendan Harris. Church will take over in center field for Watson, a rookie hitting .179 after striking out as a pinch-hitter Thursday. Church was the rookie of the month in May 2005, then was hampered by injuries.



Brandon Watson's hot spring didn't last long. He's been sent to the minors.

TOUGH TALK
Vidro Won't Back Down

A day later, Jose Vidro stood by his remarks about RFK Stadium being too big. "I don't regret anything that I said," the second baseman said.

"I speak for the ballclub." Vidro brought up a complaint some players had in 2005 about the dimensions of the Nationals' ballpark, calling that "a reason last year why the ballclub finished last."

EXTRA BASES
Odds and Ends

At 2-8, the Nats are six games under .500. In 2005, they never dipped further than one game below the break-even mark. ... Livan Hernandez, who's 1-2 with a 7.00 ERA, said after Thursday's game his surgically repaired right knee isn't bothering him. **HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)**

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The Really Big Leagues

You're not imaging it, baseball players are getting a lot taller

BASEBALL | Pedro Martinez is talking about the giants in baseball. Barry Bonds? Hardly. The Mets ace means today's trend of scouting, signing and promoting really tall players.

All over, Martinez sees the difference. Fields full of guys who seem to have stepped from another sport.

"I think there are people who don't do so well at basketball and they think, 'Let me try pitching,'" Martinez said. "There are a lot of them."

In a corner of New York's spring-training clubhouse, Martinez caught the eye of reliever Billy Wagner. Martinez winked.

"The only one it didn't work for was me — me and Billy the Kid," he said.

Both on the smallish side, they throw plenty hard. But nowadays, it sure helps to bring the height, as well as the heat.

"I think we're all looking for



HEAD AND SHOULDERS: Jon Rauch towers over two of his Washington Nationals teammates. The 6-foot-10 Rauch is part of a new trend toward taller players.

the stud guy, the big specimen," St. Louis general manager Walt Jocketty said.

Sizing up the majors, it's true: The big leagues are getting bigger and bigger, and not only in a juiced-up sort of way.

For every mighty mite such as David Eckstein and Jimmy Rollins — All-Stars at shortstop, naturally

— there's a Loek Van Mil. Haven't heard of him? He's the 7-foot-1 minor league pitcher trying to make it with the Minnesota Twins.

In the 1960s, Boog Powell and Willie McCovey were big boppers. At 6-foot-4, they'd barely get noticed now. Then there was home-run champion Frank Howard, a former Ohio State hoops star who

stood out at 6-7.

A Triple-A coach for the Yankees, the man called "Hondo" has found himself eye-to-eye with current players.

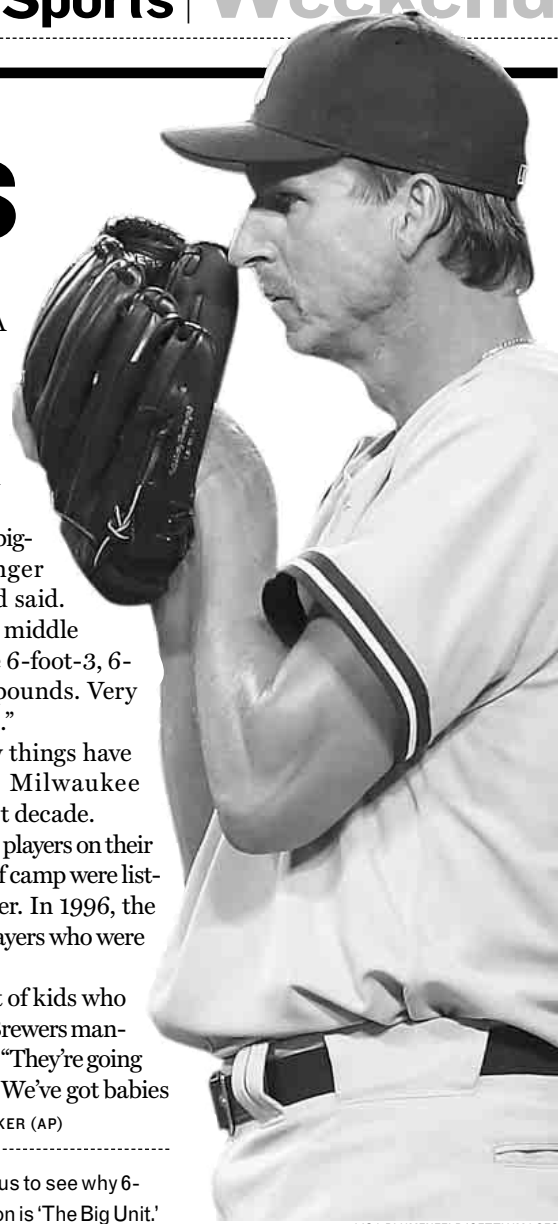
"You're getting bigger, faster, stronger athletes," Howard said. "You're looking at middle infielders that are 6-foot-3, 6-foot-4, 215-220 pounds. Very gifted individuals."

Check out how things have changed for the Milwaukee Brewers in the last decade.

This year, all 40 players on their roster at the start of camp were listed at 6 feet or taller. In 1996, the Brewers used 11 players who were 5-foot-11 or under.

"We've got a lot of kids who are still growing," Brewers manager Ned Yost said. "They're going to get even bigger. We've got babies out there." **BEN WALKER (AP)**

It doesn't take a genius to see why 6-foot-10 Randy Johnson is 'The Big Unit.'



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Weekend Sports

D.C.'s Mr. Reliable

Moreno shows that
he's a player who can
always be counted on

UNITED | As D.C. United has gone from dynasty to also-ran and back, as coaches have come and gone and as the current team shuffles and reshuffles its lineup, Jaime Moreno remains an offensive constant.

Fans and coaches may debate the attacking merits of Freddy, Christian, Alecko, Santino, Lucio and Jamil, but Moreno is a given, and his MLS Player of the Week performance against Chivas USA last Saturday demonstrated why.

One of nine players to have appeared in each of the league's 11 seasons, United's captain was at his opportunistic best last weekend. His 90th minute insurance goal was a clinical left-footed chip over Chivas goalkeeper Brad Guzan, but it was his go-ahead goal earlier in the second half that revealed the hunger that still burns inside the soft-spoken, 32-year-old Bolivian.

A long through ball played by Christian Gomez seemed beyond Moreno's reach, but he maintained his chase and caught Guzan's clearance with an outstretched foot. The ball slid home.

"Even though the ball was played too far from him, he didn't stop," United Coach Peter Nowak said. "You can see around our league some players stop when the ball is played too long, so he was rewarded for his efforts."

Moreno's tallies gave him 96



Jaime Moreno, right, lifts up Christian Gomez as the pair, and Alecko Eskandarian, celebrate one of Moreno's two goals on Saturday. He has 96 regular season goals.

career regular season goals, four short of the record held by Salt Lake's Jason Kreis, who is still active but has played 54 more games. Moreno, who also has 12 playoff goals, will look to add to his total Saturday night when 1-0-1 D.C. hosts the Houston Dynamo (1-1-0).

Like any striker, Moreno is conscious of his own statistics. But as a

veteran and a captain, he knows his own numbers are not the most important element to the club's success.

"I know I had 94 and now I have 96, so yeah, I knew," he said. "It's nice, but first I've just got to work for the team and the goals come. The most important thing for me is D.C., and definitely without my teammates I wouldn't score." BRIAN STRAUS

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Taylor Takes Early Lead at Heritage

GOLF | With a nerve-racking and disappointing Masters debut behind him, Vaughn Taylor relaxed and played his best round of the year.

Taylor, who grew up in Augusta, Ga., shot an 8-under 63 to take the lead after the first round of the Verizon Heritage on Thursday.

A week ago, Taylor couldn't make a move around his hometown without someone he knew ready with a comment, question or request. He was edgy and lost focus.

"My phone was ringing off the



Vaughn Taylor bounced back from a rough Masters at the Heritage Thursday.

hook," Taylor said. "You are asked to do a lot of things. In preparing for a tournament, it's tough to be

able to do it all.

You want to talk to everybody and you feel bad because you just can't do it."

The attention proved too much for Taylor to handle. He shot a 75-74 at Augusta National and missed the cut.

Instead of letting the disappointment drag down his slumping season — Taylor had only broken 70 once in his previous 12 rounds coming in — the 30-year-old pushed on to Harbour Town Golf Links and found the play he'd hoped to have at the Masters. (AP)

Worst of Times for Brown

Knicks' hometown coach feeling the boos in disappointing year

NBA | Larry Brown had an inkling way back in November that these Knicks were headed for trouble.

Too many young players. Too few who "play the right way" — Brown's No. 1 basketball priority.

And one named Stephon Marbury.

"I kind of had a pretty good sense of where we were in Charleston," where the Knicks hold their pre-season training camp.

Still, he basked in the roar of the Madison Square Garden crowd at the Knicks' home opener, a Brooklyn native returned to lead his hometown team back into the playoffs. And while Brown knew something then that the fans apparently didn't, he never could've predicted how bad things would get.

It didn't take long to get started, either: Minutes after the ovation, the Knicks fell behind Washington by 19 points in the first quarter, and



FRANK FRANKLIN/II/AP

With only 22 wins heading into Thursday night's action, this year's Knicks are one of the worst teams that Larry Brown has ever coached. The season ends next week.

were booed off the floor by the home fans. That became familiar.

Even after three straight wins last week gave the Knicks 22 victories, this will go down as one of the worst seasons ever for both the franchise and the Hall of Fame coach. Brown will finish only slightly better than his 21-61 season in San

Antonio in 1988-89.

"I was looking back on my career, I don't know how long I've been doing this," he said. "I was trying to figure out what's been different about this year and things I said. I think one of the obvious things is I find myself repeating myself over and over again." BRIAN MAHONEY (AP)

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NBA | BY MATT SWENSON

NBA Playoffs: A Lost Cause

LAST YEAR, THE SAN DIEGO PADRES were the joke of baseball for making the playoffs with an 82-80 record.

Six months later, the NBA is putting those lackluster Padres to shame with a whole new level of mediocrity.

If the season were to end Thursday — and it finally ends next week — four Eastern Conference teams would qualify for the postseason with a .500 record or worse.

That includes our beloved Washington Wizards, losers of four straight games, which dropped their record to an underwhelming 38-38. Yet Washington would be the No. 5 seed, and would face the Cleveland Cavaliers, who have a much bigger concern than the Wizards now that LeBron James has a twisted ankle.

Bringing up the rear are the Bulls and 76ers in a dead heat at 37-41.

Maybe the NBA lets just a few

too many teams into the second season, huh?

Now, some will point to the West, which is so good that the Sacramento Kings, with a 41-38 record are the eighth seed. It's hard to argue that above average teams like the Kings and Lakers don't belong.

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Just let the best 12 teams in and the rest can start golfing.

best 12 teams in and the rest can start golfing.

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Weekend Sports

Stewart's Other Job

Nextel Cup champion finds new challenges running a dirt track

AUTO RACING | Tony Stewart climbs fences. He also helps design them.

The two-time and reigning Nextel Cup champion, who seems to be a long way from retirement as one of NASCAR's biggest stars, already has a second career. And he's gotten involved in everything as a dirt track owner at the grass-roots facility where he got his racing start.

The driver of the No. 20 orange Home Depot Chevrolet, who has made scaling fences part of his victory celebrations, owns famed Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio. The track is a long way from the glitz and glamor of NASCAR's top circuit, and Stewart quickly had to confront his biggest challenge so far.

"Well, it was probably the first night, the women's restroom in the pits being stopped up," Stewart said. "So, the first night I realized it was a lot more than just turning on the lights, open the gates, sell tickets, hot dogs and the race goes fine."

Stewart purchased Eldora in November 2004 from Earl Baltes, who retired because of health prob-



CHUCK ROBINSON/AP

Tony Stewart climbs the fence after winning the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. When not racing, Stewart maintains a dirt track.

lems after owning and operating the facility for 51 years.

Stewart's work at the track even involves pre-race entertainment. ("I don't think we are going to have the military come do shows, because we don't have a big enough infield.")

Stewart, fifth in the Cup standings going into a rare weekend off for the series, said his track ownership already is helping shape his post-racing career.

"There is going to be a day that I am not going to be able to drive race cars any more and you sit there and wonder, 'Well, what are you going to do with the rest of your life?'" said Stewart, who turns 35 on May 20. "I have something now that I can dedicate the rest of my life to helping what got me to this level: To help other drivers come through Eldora Speedway in their quest to get here also." **MATT CURRY (AP)**

Sleeper Hold on Japanese Wrestling

Foreigner's rise in the sumo rankings results in a lack of fan interest

SUMO WRESTLING | He is possibly sumo's brightest rising star, just one step away from the ancient sport's top rank. He's the first European ever to make it that far and — at over 6½ feet tall and weighing a beefy 317 pounds — Bulgarian champion Kotooshu truly looks the part.

Kotooshu is one of a growing number of foreign-born fighters who have put a stranglehold on Japan's national sport, dominating the top positions, winning virtually all of the yearly titles and shoving the local talent out of the



Bulgarian sumo wrestler Kotooshu is one of the sport's rising stars in Japan.

spotlight.

The coveted rank of yokozuna, or grand champion, is now held by

Mongolia's Asashoryu. Two of the five wrestlers in the sport's second-highest rank of ozeki, or champion, are also foreigners.

The failure of Japanese wrestlers to provide much competition has generated a good deal of hand-wringing in the Japan Sumo Association, which oversees the professional sport. Ticket sales have been declining, it is becoming harder for sumo to find young recruits and TV ratings have fallen significantly.

"I think the popularity of sumo is recovering compared with a year or so ago," said Sadogatake, a former wrestler who runs the "stable" where Kotooshu trains. "But it will be hard without the rise of a strong Japanese wrestler." **ERIC TALMADGE (AP)**



TELEVISION

What About Barry? Barry Watson plays a nice-enough single guy surrounded by couples on ABC's new "What About Brian?" | 31

Entertainment Weekend

'Bettie': Not Hot Stuff

A feature about the 1950s pinup queen fails to seduce

FILM | For a movie about the pinup wonder of an era, "The Notorious Bettie Page" is surprisingly tame, an exuberant performance from Gretchen Mol in the title role going to waste in an uninvolved account.

Considering the air of menace and deviance underlying director Mary Harron's previous films, "I Shot Andy Warhol" and "American Psycho," her take on bondage queen Bettie comes off as frivolous and inconsequential.

The film frames Bettie's story through flashbacks as she waits to testify before a Senate panel investigating the effects of pornography on young people. Fitful, hurried sequences lay out Bettie's early life as a bright student growing up in a God-fearing family in Tennessee during the Depression. Then comes a bad marriage and a horrid encounter with a group of men that would leave most women in need of a decade of therapy.

Yet Harron touches on the harsh moments of Bettie's life almost dis-



THE IMMORTAL MS. TEASE: Gretchen Mol portrays naughty model Bettie Page as a good Christian girl having fun, and the film doesn't bother to delve any deeper.

missively. Bad things happen in a flash and are immediately forgotten, and the film moves on to a

rather sleepy and dispassionate account of how Bettie went from mainstream modeling to fetish

poster girl in 1950s New York.

A part-time photographer (Kevin Carroll) discovers Bettie and rearranges her black hair into the swooping bangs that became her famous hairstyle. Bettie becomes a favorite model for underground photographers who shoot racy photos for men's magazines and private collectors.

Eventually, she lands in the company of Paula Klaw (Lili Taylor) and her half-brother, Irving (Chris Bauer), who complete Bettie's makeover as a star of fetish, bondage and dominatrix movies and photos.

Mol's Bettie views it as childlike play-acting, brandishing a whip at a bound woman or wearing kinky shoes. Viewers have little clue to what the real Bettie Page felt about her notoriety; only belatedly, and superficially, does the film touch on the conflict between her Christian faith and her prurient image.

For Mol, "The Notorious Bettie Page" is both a triumph and a minor tragedy — triumph, because she's such an infectious and sprightly figure as Bettie; tragedy, because she deserves a better movie to showcase her performance.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

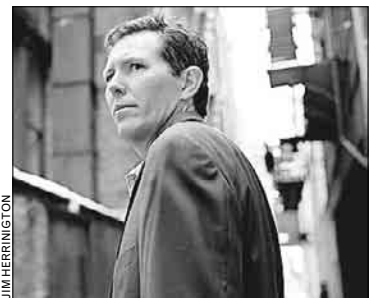


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I'm looking for a reasonably priced place that has outdoor seating in the Dupont/Adams Morgan area.

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Back to Nature, Take 2

'The Wild' resembles another animated creature feature

FILM | Talking animals from a New York zoo leave the comfortable confines of their urban existence and wind up in an exotic land, where they swap jokes, face their fears and become better creatures.

You'll be forgiven for confusing Disney's "The Wild" with last year's "Madagascar." They are essentially the same picture, separated by 11 months and one dimen-



URBAN JUNGLE: Talking beasts on the loose? Sorry, never heard of such a thing.

sion. Whereas "Madagascar" was decidedly old school in its visual approach, "The Wild" is obsessive in its details.

The journey in "The Wild" is all

about friendship and teamwork among Samson the lion (Kiefer Sutherland), Benny the Squirrel (Jim Belushi), Larry the snake (Richard Kind) and Bridget the

giraffe (Janeane Garofalo), which makes it suitable for kids, as does the frantic, shrill tenor of Steve "Spaz" Williams's directorial style.

Stealing every scene he's in is Eddie Izzard as the voice of a bad-boy British koala named Nigel. He's desperately trying to live down the cuddly image perpetuated by the talking plush toys that bear his likeness at the zoo gift shop.

In Africa, though, Nigel finds he's an unlikely idol to the natives — a pack of wildebeests led by the choreography-happy Kazar, voiced by William Shatner.

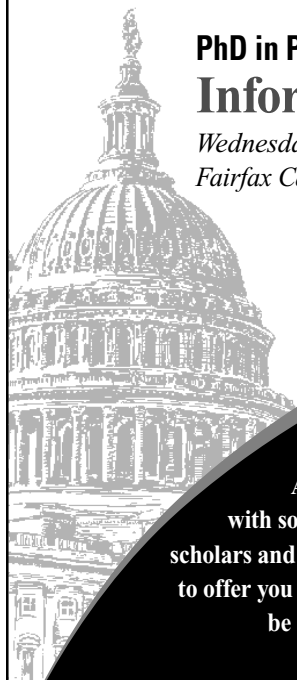
"At long last the cosmic balance has shifted!" Shatner intones.

As far as CGI films go, though, things have barely budged an inch. CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

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Weekend | Entertainment

Comfortable Fit

The undersized comedy 'Kinky Boots' makes the right steps

FILM | It has heart and soul (and sole). What "Kinky Boots" lacks is kick.

The story of a dying British shoe factory that reboots itself as a maker of fetish footwear for transvestites, the movie rolls along pleasantly enough on the strength of fine performances from Chiwetel Ejiofor and Joel Edgerton, who form a solid mismatched-buddy duo.

Yet it feels like a retread of what's become a formulaic British subgenre where dispirited folks break out of the box with an outrageous plan to boost their financial fortunes and self-esteem.

After his father's death, Charlie Price (Edgerton) finds himself the reluctant proprietor of a shoe factory whose durable but bland loafers no longer have a market. With the company bleeding money, Charlie has to do the unthinkable: Begin laying off his father's devoted workers.

The filmmakers awkwardly maneuver Charlie into a chance encounter with female impersonator Lola (Ejiofor), who just happens to be suffering from yet another



HEART AND SOLE: Viewers not sick of sweet little British comedies about communities re-inventing themselves by doing something cheeky will enjoy this film.

pair of women's boots with high heels unable to support his manly weight.

Charlie enlists Lola as consultant on a line of exotic footwear for men who have a hankering to walk a mile in women's shoes. The incredulous factory workers initially resist, but you know where you're heading in this feel-good equation.

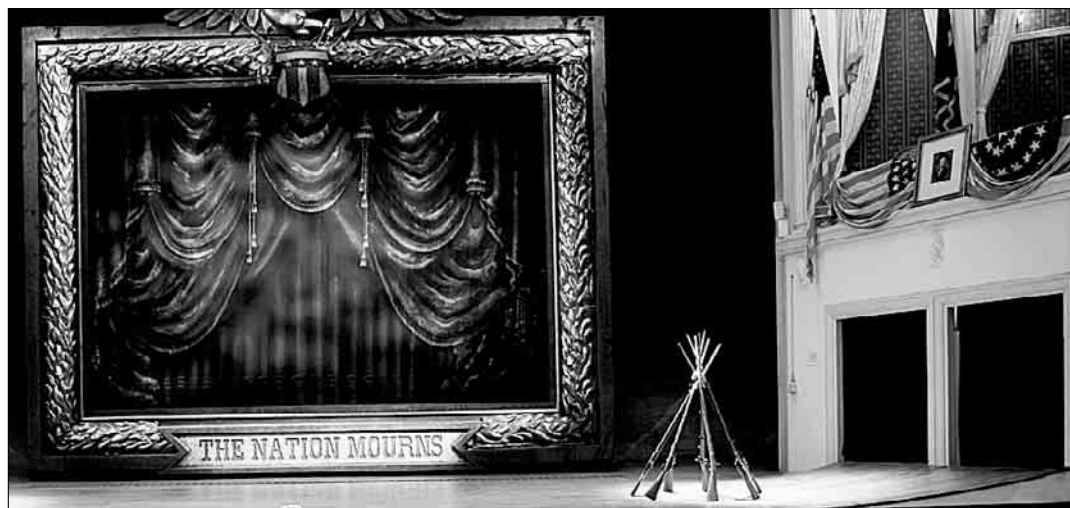
Edgerton has a subdued hangdog quality that makes him a nice straight man for the flamboyant Ejiofor ("Inside Man," "Dirty Pretty Things"). The supporting players are led by Jemima Rooper as

Charlie's ambitious girlfriend and Sarah-Jane Potts as his chief booster among the factory work force. Nick Frost (the beer-swilling roommate in "Shaun of the Dead") manages some comic highlights as a boorishly intolerant factory worker who forges an unlikely bond with Lola.

Earnest as the actors are, the filmmakers have not crafted the sort of brisk gait the movie needs. "Kinky Boots" stutter-steps its mild way to a bland conclusion you'll see coming from a long way off.

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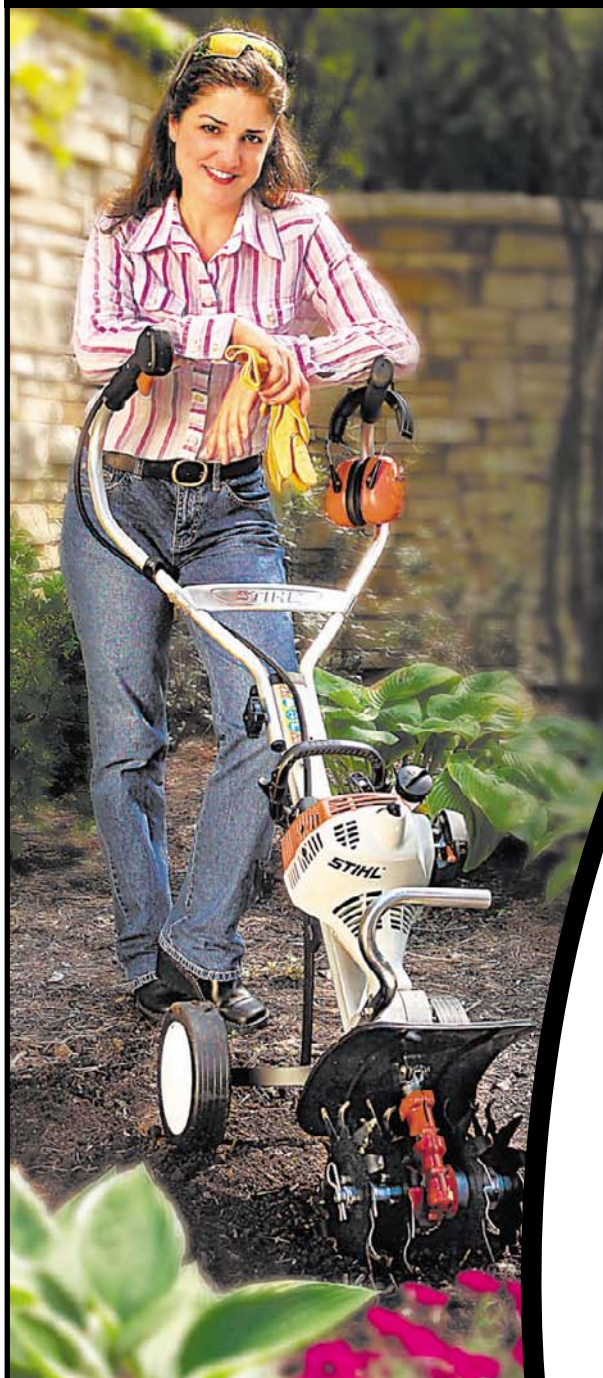
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Nightlife Agenda

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT? BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

FRIDAY

With Polly Esther's and Lulu's closed, where can folks let down their hair to cheesy retro music? The "Giant '80s Jam" thrown by Things To Do D.C. is exactly what you'd expect: a night of dancing to Madonna, Duran Duran and Michael Jackson with other thirty- and twentysomethings. This time, the event's at the Euro-style **EYEBAR** lounge on I Street, so you'll have to dress up (no sneakers or caps), and note that the '80s tunes only run from 9 p.m. to midnight.

Rosie Thomas is a singer-songwriter with broad appeal. The usual coffeehouse-goers will dig her well-crafted folk tunes, but she also has the indie cred from recording for Sub Pop and having toured with James Mercer (the Shins), Sam Bean (Iron & Wine) and Sam Jayne (Love as Laughter). Both camps should make sure to hear Thomas tonight at **JAMMIN' JAVA**.

SATURDAY

A generation before Chuck D. described hip-hop as the CNN for the 'hood, the Last Poets were dropping free verse about protest and consciousness over drums. Their



GETTING EVENS: Local punk legend Ian MacKaye and Amy Farina make up the Evens, who play a benefit/food drive at All Souls Unitarian Church Saturday night.

work isn't so much a direct antecedent of hip-hop but rather a link in an old tradition that stretches back to griots in Africa. Tonight at Howard University's **CRAMTON AUDITORIUM**, the Last Poets will be joined by a host of emerging voices, including national poetry slam champion Sonya Renee and actress and writer Holly Bass.

Patio season is finally here, and no one could be happier than us — unless you're a dog who lives on Capitol Hill. **UNION PUB** is starting a new summer happy hour that allows humans and pooches to socialize on its spacious covered outdoor area Saturdays afternoon from 12 to 4 p.m. You kick back with one of their famous frozen margaritas, your dog sniffs someone else for a change and everyone goes home happy.

Dischord Records will be well

represented at tonight's show at that classic rock 'n' roll hub, **ALL SOULS UNITARIAN CHURCH**. The Evens headline the show, and the group's 2005 self-titled debut may be the best album Ian MacKaye has played on since Fugazi's "Repeater." Labelmate Antelope doesn't play too many shows, but that doesn't stop the hypnotic post-punk trio from being one of the area's more intriguing acts. Former Fugazi bassist Joe Lally will also perform.

We all know what Santana Moss and Clinton Portis can do on a football field, but what about on a bowling lane? Find out at **LUCKY STRIKE**, where Moss, Portis, teammate Sean Taylor and several other NFL players will bowl to raise money for Moss' charitable foundation. From 6 to 7 p.m., they'll sign autographs for the public, and then bowl from 7 to

10 p.m. There's no cover charge, but remember that Lucky Strike goes 21-and-over at 9 p.m.

Philadelphia's Lady Alma was discovered when she was on the dancefloor singing so robustly that DJ King Britt could hear her over his set. She has gone on to grace some of the biggest dance tunes of recent years, most notably 4 Hero's smash club banger "Hold It Down." She brings a bluesy, gospel-inflected sound and a boisterous energy to her shows. Catch her at **FIVE** tonight with Rob Paine, Willyum and Washington's own Tom B.

With U Street continuing to blossom, we've had an inkling that someone would try to get some more dance-club action going. Tonight **ALERO** opens its doors to Enigma Productions' Rock Star Party. lasts. Sign up on the guestlist at partywithenigma.com/guestlist.asp.

Happy Songkran and Pi Mai Lao to all our Thai and Laotian readers. (Thailand's three-day New Year celebration wraps up today, while Laos' festival ends Sunday.) Never shy about exploiting any holiday to promote a party, Masoud A. is hosting a Songkran and Pi Mai Lao night at **LOVE** tonight. You'll get the usual mix of hip-hop, house, Latin and '80s music on four levels, and passes for free admission come from masouda.com or dcnites.com.

Check out an extended version of "Nightlife Agenda" each Thursday at www.washingtonpost.com/cityguide

Cruise Speaks to Sawyer

The actor sounds weirdest trying to set the record straight

NEWS CHAT | On Friday's "Primetime" (9 p.m., ABC), Diane Sawyer interviews Tom Cruise. According to the network, he will be discussing his busy summer, scheduled to include a big movie release, the birth of a child and his wedding. But that's not why we'll be watching.

Listen carefully to Cruise's language, his frequent use of passive voice and the pretentious way he turns the most banal utterances into cosmic revelations.

Just last week, in the popular Sunday supplement "Parade," Cruise declared, "I can create who I am." Yes, Tom, and what you are creating is a public embarrassment. Cruise has come to resemble Rock Hudson's character in the campy 1954 melodrama "Magnificent Obsession." He's a handsome middle-aged man who claims to have discovered the meaning of life and insists on boring us with the details. KEVIN MCDONOUGH

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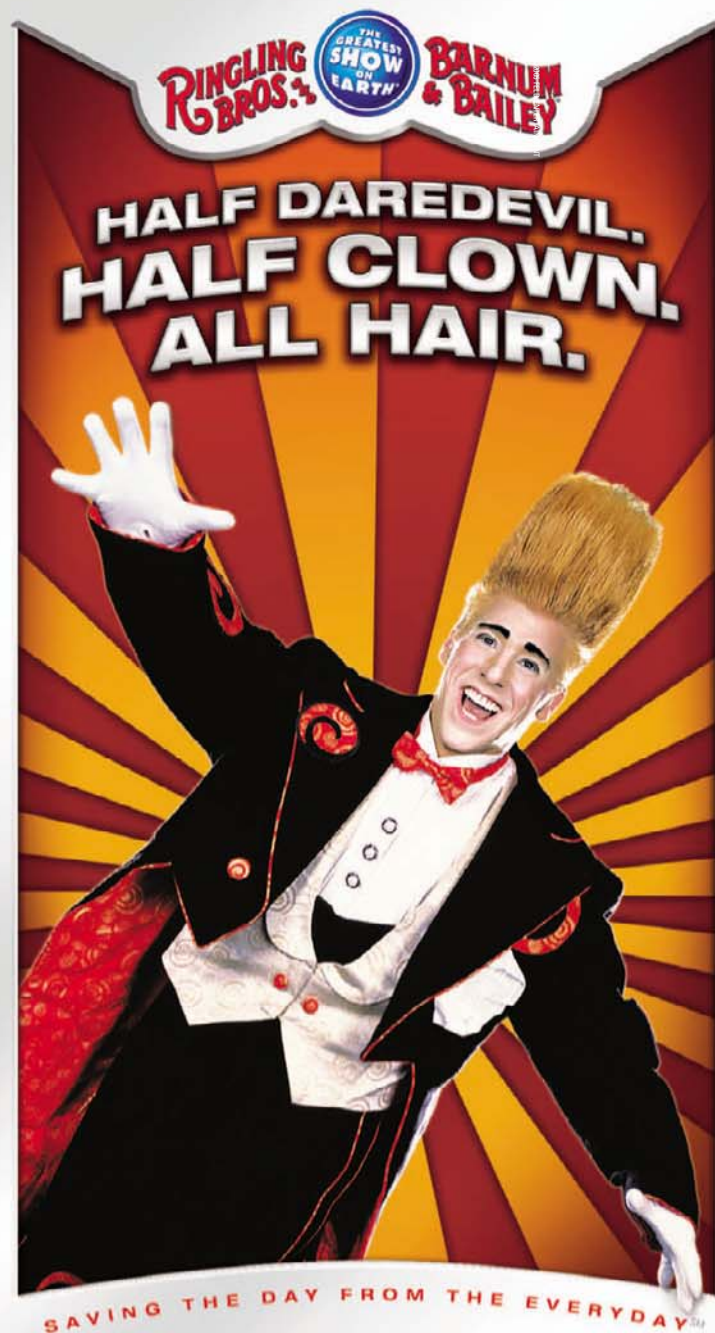


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AQUAMARINE (PG, 109 minutes) This mild-mannered comedy tells the story of 13-year-old best friends Claire (Emma Roberts) and Hailey (Joanna “JoJo” Levesque), who discover a mermaid named Aquamarine (Sara Paxton), who has come ashore to find love. The direction isn’t particularly distinguished, but this movie is better than nothing for its woefully underserved tween audience. (AH)

ATL (PG-13, 105 minutes) This movie takes a paint-by-numbers approach to a coming-of-age tale, set against a crunked-up soundtrack. Despite the melodrama and the often ham-handed directing, it somehow works. A weak script is greatly helped by some strong performances. Leading the way is Atlanta rapper T.I. as Rashad, a high-school senior from the grimmer side of the New South. And no matter how complicated life gets, salvation can always be found Sunday nights at the neighborhood roller skating rink. (TW)

BASIC INSTINCT 2 (R, 110 minutes) Novelist Catherine Tramell (Sharon Stone) is speeding through London with her date, a British footballer. Before you can say *gesundheit*, the car is sinking into the Thames, and jock-boy dies. A detective requests a psychotherapist to diagnose her, which is what brings David Morrissey into the picture as Michael Glass. The gist of the movie is watching her insinuate herself into his life. But there’s no suspense, and Morrissey is so overmatched by Stone that he hardly registers. (SH)

THE BEAUTY ACADEMY OF KABUL (Unrated, 74 minutes) In this by turns absorbing and frustrating documentary, director Liz Mermin follows a group of Western hairdressers and makeup artists who seek to teach Afghan women of Kabul the rudiments of workplace health and safety as well as the latest



THE WAY OF THE GUN: Bruce Willis co-stars in “Lucky Number Slevin,” a time-jumping jigsaw of a thriller that plunges an innocent protagonist (Josh Hartnett) into a bad situation involving nasty crime lords. The film has the post-Tarantino attitude toward violence and killing—cavalier and showy, with a side of heartless snark.

styles. The film’s unforgettable stars are the students, who have survived tribal warfare, Soviet invasion, Muslim tyranny, American bombs, patriarchal families and even Western good intentions with extraordinary grace and fortitude. (AH)

THE BENCHWARMERS (PG, 90 minutes) David Spade, Rob Schneider and Jon (“Napoleon Dynamite”) Heder play three adult losers in Southern California who decide to challenge various bully-loaded Little League teams. Except, of course, they’re not all losers; and the movie itself sacrifices much force when it turns out that Schneider’s character is an elite athlete. The movie’s more peculiar conceit is a kind of tournament in which the three adult men play squads of children. What on earth do the filmmakers think that proves? (SH)

BRICK (R, 110 minutes) Our hero of sorts is Brendan (Joseph Gordon-Levitt), a high schooler who’s still holding a candle for Emily, his dead ex-girlfriend. His self-appointed mission: to infiltrate the underworld of his fellow students and find out who’s responsible for her death. Writer-director Rian Johnson knows how to fuse the amusing and the edgy, and, in Brendan, he has created an endearing



WILL WENDERS NEVER CEASE?

Sentimental Journey

SAM SHEPARD WROTE the script of “Don’t Come Knocking” and stars as Howard Spence, a washed-up actor who goes AWOL from a movie set on a journey to places he hasn’t been in 30 years. The film marks the reunion of Shepard and director Wim Wenders, whose collaboration, “Paris, Texas,” won the Palme d’Or at Cannes in 1984. Though “Don’t Come Knocking” revels in themes familiar to both men, its narrative kinks and improbabilities reduce it to an unsatisfying allegory. Despite a fine cast, the mystery that engulfs Shepard’s best plays, imbuing his dysfunctional families with a sense of drama and tragedy, is missing here. (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

character. Even as you struggle to keep up with its speedy chatter and multi-character complexity, the movie is always entertaining. (DT)

DAVE CHAPPELLE’S BLOCK PARTY

(R, 103 minutes) This film was shot in September 2004, when Dave Chappelle had just signed a \$50 million deal for his comedy series. There’s an innocent joy and a genial detachment, as if he’s playing host to his own celebrity. But there’s something deeper at work. Even with his cutting racial satire, he seems uniquely positioned to appeal to white and black Americans. (DT)

DUMA (PG, 100 minutes) This is a big kitty movie. It is about a cheetah, found young, that grows up with a boy in South Africa and then must be released back into the wild. It is also big in the sense that it is visually panoramic. The impression of scale it leaves is reinforced by the very smallness of its plot. (PHILIP KENNICOTT)

EIGHT BELOW (PG, 120 minutes) Eight canines pull their weight literally and figuratively in this lively adventure. The movie, based on true events, starts out with a gripping setup, in which National Science Foundation guide Jerry Shepard

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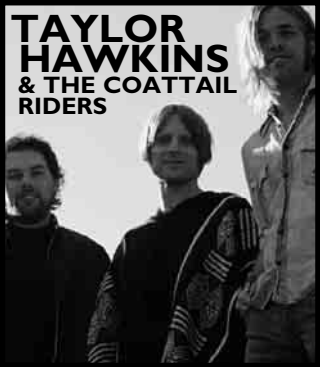
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(Paul Walker) takes an arrogant scientist on an expedition. When a storm forces the humans to evacuate, Jerry is told he can't go back for the dogs. The movie is an often agonizing depiction of how these animals save themselves, and the sequences of them trying to survive are magnificent and deeply moving (AH)

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13, 97 minutes) This movie is one of the best American films in months and the best comedy since I don't know when. Matthew McConaughey plays a 35-year-old boy-man who still lives with his parents. They hire Sarah Jessica Parker, a specialist in emptying nests, to get him to fall in love with her and move out. On this simple, sturdy frame, the writers work all kinds of comic riffs. The movie is so swift and sure, you can say: It achieves liftoff. (SH)

FIREWALL (PG-13, 120 minutes) Harrison Ford plays Jack Stanfield, a security systems designer who is held at gunpoint, along with his family, by a criminal mastermind who knows Jack designed the security for a global bank. Jack must save his family and outwit the bad guys. Unfortunately, Ford's brand of action-



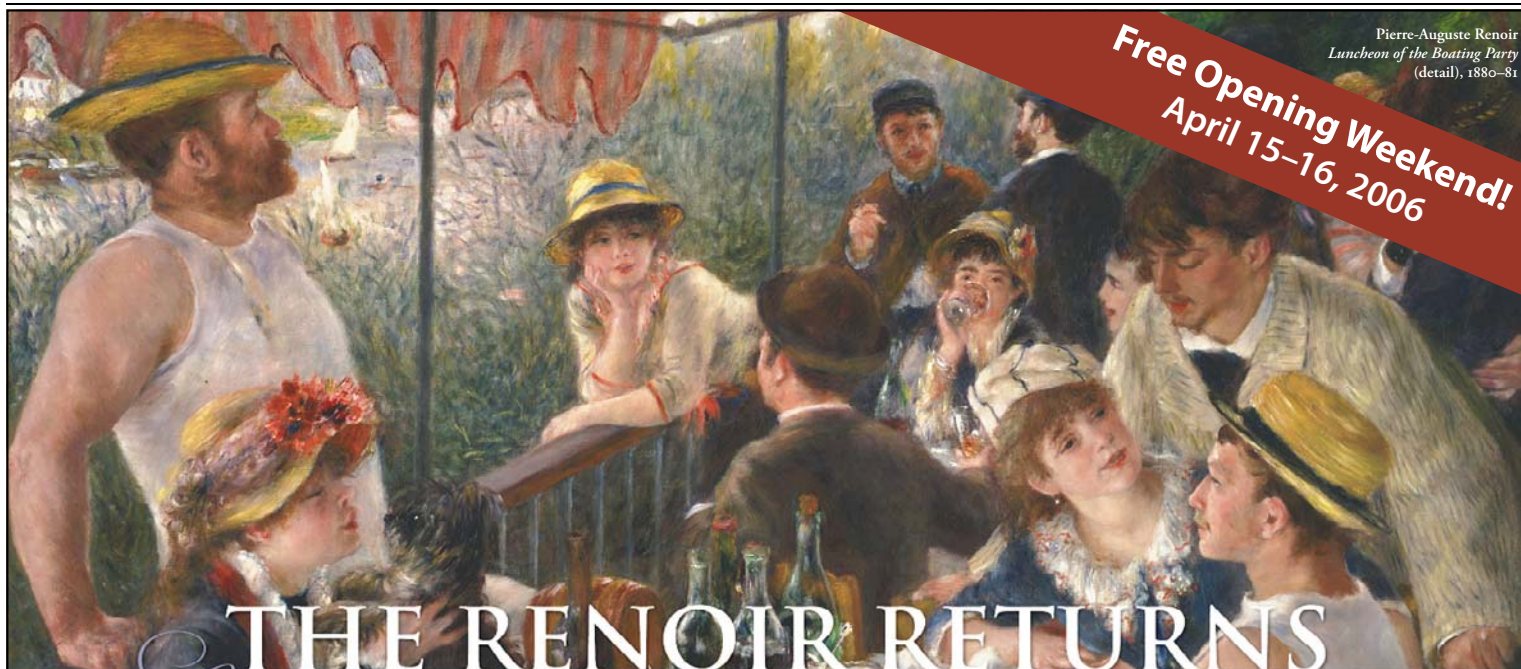
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hero has become obsolete—at least for him. Although the actor looks great for 63, the job calls for vigor and virility. (DT)

ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG, 89 minutes) In this sequel, the happy creatures of the 2002 hit—a sloth named

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THE MAKERS OF "Airplane!" reconnect for "Scary Movie 4," but the sequel never truly takes flight. Then again, director David Zucker and writer Jim Abrahams didn't really have anywhere to go. As in the first three installments of this insanely successful franchise, the formula remains the same. Make fun of a bunch of movies, throw in some pop culture references, a couple of political jabs and a few rappers. (They appeal to the films' young target audience — this time you get Chingy, Fabolous and Lil Jon.) Finally, sprinkle liberally with gross bodily noises and fluids, mix it up, throw it at the wall in one steaming, gloppy wad and see what sticks. "Saw," "The Grudge," "War of the Worlds" and "Brokeback Mountain" are among the easy targets; Anna Faris, Craig Bierko, Shaquille O'Neal and Charlie Sheen are among the stars. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

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Leary) — realize that the snow's getting softer, the days longer, the sun hotter. They begin a migration to find a kind of ark substitute that will let them ride out the ensuing flood. The animation is first-rate, but the story needs to catch up to the magic. (SH)

INSIDE MAN (R, 129 minutes) A deft, tense, pure thriller, this movie has great star turns and is brilliantly directed by Spike Lee. One morning, a Wall Street bank is taken over by heavily armed robbers. Cops quickly gather, headed by Detective Keith Frazier (Denzel

Washington). But just when you think the movie's going to settle down to "Dog Day Afternoon II," it mutates weirdly (the first of several times) with the arrival of Jodie Foster, whose job is to make certain no one discovers what's in a certain safe deposit box. The movie is full of attractive people, smart dialogue, surprises and final satisfaction. (SH)

JOYEUX NOEL (PG-13, 116 minutes) This film tells the true story of a spontaneous truce during the first winter of World War I, when German, French and Scottish troops laid down their arms and spent Christmas singing carols, exchanging tobacco and whiskey and otherwise briefly subverting the forces of war. The

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first two-thirds of the movie are strangely inert, as the characters and historical context are established, but it ends with a moving and sophisticated meditation on the definition of moral duty. (AH)

LARRY THE CABLE GUY: HEALTH INSPECTOR (PG-13, 89 minutes) This film features but one joke and it's only funny the first time, although they tell it 88 more times. Larry, who is to blue-collar as John Wayne is to westerns, appears in some tony setting where his low-rent, get-r-done crudity and his amply displayed gluteus maximus groove shocks a batch of swanky, indignant twerps, until his natural cunning and goodness bites them on the, er, assumption. (SH)

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R, 110 minutes) Josh Hartnett plays Slevin, a guy who shows up in a buddy's New York apartment, which is the wrong place at exactly the wrong time. Two gangstas arrive, beat him up and haul him before The Boss (Morgan Freeman), who insists that Slevin is Nick, the actual renter of the apartment, who owes him money. Slevin must either pay it back or perform a service: a murder. The movie has a jaunty tone for something so blood-soaked. But there's too much death with no moral import and becomes ultimately meaningless. (SH)

MADEA'S FAMILY REUNION (PG-13, 107 minutes) This Tyler Perry movie is a cultural phenomenon, and understanding that is key to understanding the world of Madea (Perry in a dress, wig and big-breasted fat suit), a tenderhearted black woman who talks straight as she tries to guide lost and broken souls. Some can point to other films of higher artistic quality that deal with resurrecting broken and battered souls of African Americans. Yet



SOMEONE LEFT THE ALIEN OUT IN THE RAIN: Whatever Michael Rooker is looking at probably should not be poked with a stick in James Gunn's "Slither."

Perry has figured out how to deliver his message in a way that has mass appeal.

(MARCIA DAVIS)

MARILYN HOTCHKISS' BALLROOM DANCING & CHARM SCHOOL (PG-13, 103 minutes) This movie has a clunky title but an elegant concept: that the fantasy of the fresh start is attainable for all of us. Yes, this is another one of those movies about finding your own soul, and perhaps a soul mate, on the dance floor. But this movie demonstrates that the same old construct can be made thrillingly fresh with the right components.

(SARAH KAUFMAN)

NIGHT WATCH (R, 116 minutes) This Russian film is a swiftly moving plunge into a world populated by vampires, seers, shape-shifters and spellbinders. It is an adaptation of the science fiction-fantasy novel of the same name and, like all sci-fi fantasies, is full of tiresome exposition and convenient loopholes. But director Timur Bekmambetov handles these narrative bumps with ease, infusing even the goriest of horror-movie clichés with equal parts macabre fascination and jaunty humor. (AH)

OUR BRAND IS CRISIS (Unrated, 87 minutes) This is an inside story of how American political image-making came to Bolivian presidential politics when that country's ex-prez and 2002 candidate, Gonzalo Sanchez de Lozada, hired the firm of GCS (Greenberg, Carville, Shrum) to run his campaign. The smart guys from inside the Beltway get'er done by using focus groups and image consulting. But the movie really racks up suspense as it drives to election day, and what happened after that is equally amazing. (STEPHEN HUNTER)

PHATGIRLZ (PG-13, 99 minutes) This consciousness-raising comedy is admittedly cheesy, but it's still likeable. Mo'Nique plays Jazmin Biltmore, a plus-size department store clerk who longs to be a fashion designer. While on vacation with her best

friend, she meets Tunde (Jimmy Jean-Louis), a yummy doctor from Nigeria. It turns out that in Tunde's culture Jazmin's size is considered, as she puts it, "sexy and succulent." The movie isn't great, nor even very good, but it turns some tables badly in need of upending. (AH)

THE SHAGGY DOG (PG, 99 minutes) This movie is a pointless remake of the 1959 Disney classic. Tim Allen plays Dave Douglas, a Type-A careerist and dog-hater who, through a series of mishaps too ridiculous and tiresome to describe, is injected with the blood of a 300-year-old dog and turns into the pooch of the title. He discovers that he may not be a bad dog but that he has been a terrible husband and father. The movie is a nasty, unappealing Allen vehicle, whose comedy chiefly derives from stupid stunts. (AH)

SHE'S THE MAN (PG-13, 105 minutes) In this teen-oriented tribute to Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," Amanda Bynes plays Viola, a soccer jock who disguises herself as her twin brother to join his school team. Bynes's rubbery expressions are occasionally funny, but there's no way people couldn't see through her disguise. For the teens this is aimed for, this won't matter. But once again, Hollywood makes the mistaken assumption that cribbing Shakespearean plots and dumping the poetry will somehow download the Bard's brilliance. (DT)

16 BLOCKS (PG-13, 105 minutes) This movie follows dispirited cop Jack Mosley (Bruce Willis) as he is assigned to escort crook Eddie Bunker (Mos Def) across Lower Manhattan to testify before a grand jury in two hours' time. What neither realize is that the guy Eddie is about to blow the whistle on is a cop, and if he's indicted, that cop will rat out an elite group of detectives. So the cops improvise a series of assassination attempts along what is basically the Chinese New Year parade route to wipe out Eddie and, if nec-

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essary, Jack. This feeble thriller is full of nonsense and implausibilities. (SH)

SLITHER (R, 96 minutes) This is your basic gross-out monster comedy movie—with pretensions. Cult classics can't be manufactured; they just are, and no amount of sardonic indie posturing is going to turn a low-budget wannabe decorated with splashy 3D effects into the next "Rocky Horror Picture Show" or "Dawn of the Dead." (TW)

SOPHIE SCHOLL: THE FINAL DAYS (Unrated, 117 minutes) This movie tells the true story of Scholl and her brother, who secretly printed and distributed fliers denouncing Hitler, the injustice of the state and the penchant for atrocity. The story has been told, but Marc Rothemund's riveting, near-documentary is based on a document that became available only after the fall of the Berlin Wall: the actual transcript of Sophie's interrogation by a secret-police functionary named Robert Mohr. (SH)

SOMETHING NEW (PG-13, 100 min-utes) Kenya McQueen (Sanaa Lathan) is an African-American woman who goes on a blind date with a white man (Simon Baker). But her girlfriends and family make it clear they're not thrilled about this union, and the closer they get to one another, the more race matters. The fun — and the seriousness — of the movie is in watching a beautiful woman challenge an equal opponent. (DT)

STAY ALIVE (PG-13, 85 minutes)
Incoherent, nearly scare-free horror flick about twenty-something video gamers in pre-Katrina New Orleans; their video game "tester" pal dies playing a new "underground" game. At first fascinated, they see that they'll die like the game's characters unless they play their way out. (JANE HORWITZ)

THE SYRIAN BRIDE (Unrated, 98 minutes) Mona (Clara Khoury), a Druze living in the Golan Heights, wants to marry Tallel (Derar Sliman), who lives in Syria. But Syria will allow Mona to enter only if she settles permanently. She makes the painful choice to leave her family forever, but her plans are derailed by bureaucrats on both sides. The movie seems to line up every cultural, sexual and religious fender-bender it can for maximum conflict, but the device is used to reveal touching human complexity. (BT)

SYRIANA (R, 126 minutes) George Clooney plays CIA operative Bob Barnes, an avuncular career agent who used to know where all the bodies were buried — mainly because he did most of the digging. This is a premium-octane thriller



SPELLING TROUBLE IS MY BUSINESS: Joseph Gordon-Levitt, left, stars with Matt O'Leary, in "Brick," an ambitious and atmospheric transposition of film noir narrative and dialogue to the unlikely setting of a high school in a sunny California town.

about a society that has become insidiously dependent on oil. (PT)

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13, 108 minutes)
This movie is based on the true story of Pierre Dulaine, a professional dancer who started a ballroom-dance program in New York City elementary schools. (The story was chronicled in the charming documentary "Mad Hot Ballroom." This is the Hollywood version, with Antonio Banderas as Dulaine. The movie tries to present a realistic view of the brutal lives and few options of inner-city teenagers, but it's long on flashy dance sequences and short on depth, character and craft. (SARAH KAUFMAN)

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R, 92 minutes) As a lobbyist for the tobacco industry, Nick Naylor (Aaron Eckhart) realizes that disingenuousness is a moral survival strategy: Don't think of cigarettes as a health hazard, Nick says, consid-

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TSOTSI (R, 94 minutes) This South African movie, which won Best Foreign Language Film at the Oscars, is a mixture of thrilling documentary-style realism and Hollywood hokum. It follows Tsotsi (Presley Chweneyagae), a thug. His life takes an unexpected turn when he steals a BMW with a 3-month-old baby in the back. As Tsotsi, Chweneyagae turns his face into a living battle mask, but as the story unfolds, his mask begins to crack and his humanity begins to flow through. (DT)

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THE WILD (G) DIG (1235 250 505) 720 935

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1145 1215 1245 115 200 230 300 330 415 445 515 545) 630 700 730 800 845 915 945 1015 1100 1130

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 230 510) 750 1030

PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13) DIG (1205 240 510) 735 920 1000 1145

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1200 1240 220 300 450 530) 705 745 925 1005 1135

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (140 440) 740 1040

ATL (PG-13) DIG (405) 650 930 1200

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1140 1210 205 235 430 500) 655 725 950

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 410) 710 1010

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100) 1150

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13) DIG (130 400) 640 910 1140

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20 45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#

Adv. Tix on Sale MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3 (PG-13) ★

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 445) 745 1020

SCARY MOVIE 4 - DIGITAL PROJECTION (PG-13) DIG ★ (1130 210 430) 710 940

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1200 1250 130 240 310 400 500 530) 640 740 820 910 1010

THE WILD (G) DIG (1140 120 220 350 450) 630 720 850 950

PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13) DIG (1145 230 510) 800 1025

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1135 1220 150 250 420 520) 750 840 1010

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (1215 315) 645 930

ATL (PG-13) DIG 945

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1120 1150 1230 100 140 200 300 340 410 440 540) 620 650 730 830 845 915 900

STAY ALIVE (PG-13) DIG (1245 345) 700 1000

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1155 245 515) 810 1030

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 345) 700 1000

SHE'S THE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1240 320) 635

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 415) 715 1015

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13) DIG (100 330) 655 920

ROCKVILLE CENTER STADIUM 13 Rockville Town Center 800-FANDANGO 248#

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Adv. Tix on Sale MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3 (PG-13) ★

THE WILD (G) DIG (1220 240 505) 730 950 1210

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) ★ (1210 225 440) 700 925

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1230 1250 245 305 500 520) 720 755 945 1020 1200

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 350) 715 1010

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1235 255 510) 735 1000 1215

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (1240 345) 710 1025

ATL (PG-13) DIG 1235

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1200 1225 220 250 450 515) 725 745 955 1015 1220

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 340) 705 1030

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 235 455) 740 1005 1225

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D 1145

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10 4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#

Adv. Tix on Sale WIDESPREAD PANIC - EARTH TO AMERICA (NR) ★

THE WILD (G) DIG (120 325 535) 740 945

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (110 145 215 330 415 445 540) 650 720 750 920 950 1020

PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13) (130 400) 715 1015

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (115 155 320 420 530) 710 745 930 1010

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (150 430) 730 955

SHE'S THE MAN (PG-13) (340) 725 1005

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 700 1000

THE SHAGGY DOG (PG) (100)

CURIOUS GEORGE (G) DIG (135 350)

GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14 20000 Century Blvd 800-FANDANGO 455#

Adv. Tix on Sale MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3 (PG-13) ★

THE WILD (G) DIG (1200 215 430) 720 940

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1210 1250 130 220 300 400 430 510) 645 730 800 920 950 1020 1140 1210

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 410) 730 1000

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1200 115 220 350 440) 630 700 910 935 1130

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 415) 715 1015

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (1230 330) 715 1015

PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13) DIG (1250 340) 720 955 1220

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 340) 745 1025

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1210 240 500) 740 1000 1215

ATL (PG-13) DIG (110) 1010

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (345) 710

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13) DIG (1245 400) 645 930 1200

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14 9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3 (PG-13) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale DCI CLASSIC COUNTDOWN (NR) ★

Adv. Tix on Sale WIDESPREAD PANIC - EARTH TO AMERICA (NR) ★

PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG-13) DIG (1245 345) 700 1000

THE WILD (G) DIG (1215 245 515) 730 950

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1200 1230 100 230 300 400 500 530) 630 720 740 900 945 1015

PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13) DIG (430) 1020

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 415) 715 950

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1215 245 515) 745 1005

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (115 400) 645 940

OC & DA: ICE AGE 2 (PG) DIG (115)

ATL (PG-13) DIG (130) 800

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1200 1230 230 300 415 500 530) 645 730 815 915 1010

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 345) 700 1000

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13) DIG (130 430) 800 1020

MANASSAS STADIUM 14 11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

Adv. Tix on Sale MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3 (PG-13) ★

THE WILD (G) DIG (1210 225 440) 720 930

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG-13) DIG ★ (1130 1200 145 215 335 400 430) 655 730 800 910 945 1015

LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1255 350) 705 940

BENCHWARMERS (PG-13) DIG (1140 205 420) 745 1005

TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13) DIG (1220 310) 705 955

ATL (PG-13) DIG 920

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) DIG (1120 1150 100 150 235 340 410 450) 640 710 740 935 1010

LARRY THE CABLE GUY: HEALTH INSPECTOR (PG-13) DIG (1250) 750

STAY ALIVE (PG-13) DIG (320) 1020

INSIDE MAN (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 330) 650 950

THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1135 200 435) 805 1025

V FOR VENDETTA (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240)

FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG-13) DIG (110 345) 725 1000

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AMC HOFFMANN CENTER 22
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PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 4:05, 7:05, 9:50
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 2:45, 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, 5:15, 5:45, 6:15, 6:45, 7:45, 8:15, 8:45, 9:15, 10:15, 10:45, 11:15, 11:45, 12:30
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15, 12:30
THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:35, 2:55, 5:05, 7:20, 9:35
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:20, 1:55, 2:40, 4:05, 5:25, 6:30, 7:50, 9:10, 10:10, 11:45, 12:40
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 12:10, 2:50, 5:40, 8:25, 11:20
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 12:25, 2:15, 3:10, 4:50, 5:35, 7:15, 8:05, 9:55, 10:45, 12:30
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 2:00, 4:45, 7:40, 10:35
ATL (PG13) 12:05, 1:30, 2:45, 4:10, 5:20, 7:10, 8:10, 9:45, 10:55, 12:25
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:00, 1:00, 1:40, 2:30, 3:30, 4:15, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:30, 9:20, 10:45
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:30, 3:35, 6:50, 7:30, 9:45, 10:25, 12:30
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 8:20, 10:30, 12:40
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 12:40, 3:15, 5:50
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) ✓ 2:05, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, 12:00
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 12:55, 3:55, 7:05, 10:05
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 7:35, 10:00

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10
Loisdale and Franconia Road
703-971-3991

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
THE WILD (G) 12:45, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) 1:30, 4:40, 7:30, 10:15
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) 1:20, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) 1:15, 4:20, 7:15, 10:10
ATL (PG13) 1:15, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 10:00
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 1:40, 5:00, 7:45, 10:10

AMC MAZZA GALLERY
Jenifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:20, 1:30, 2:55, 3:40, 5:05, 5:50, 7:15, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 9:55
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:00, 12:45, 2:20, 3:05, 4:40, 5:25, 7:45, 10:00
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:30, 3:45, 6:45, 7:30, 9:45, 10:30
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:30, 3:45, 6:45, 9:45

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441 821

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:10, 2:25, 4:40, 7:00, 9:20, 11:40
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 3:25, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30, 11:50
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30, 11:50
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 12:00, 2:15, 4:50, 7:25, 9:50
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 1:40, 4:30, 7:15, 10:05
ATL (PG13) 2:35, 7:50
BASIC INSTINCT 2 (R) 12:05, 5:05, 10:30
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 10:10
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:20, 2:05, 4:25, 5:10, 7:30, 8:15, 10:40, 11:25
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 12:25, 1:50, 2:50, 4:15, 5:15, 6:45, 7:45, 9:15, 10:15, 11:45
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 12:50, 3:50, 6:50, 10:00
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 12:00, 2:20, 4:55, 7:20, 9:55

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6
4000 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
202-244-0882 714

THE WILD (G) 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:00
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) 2:15, 4:35, 7:15, 9:30
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) 1:25, 4:00, 6:55, 9:35
ATL (PG13) 4:25, 9:40
BASIC INSTINCT 2 (R) 1:55, 7:00
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 2:05, 4:30, 7:05, 9:20

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
310-423-1014 741

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 2:10, 4:15, 7:30, 9:50
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) 2:05, 4:40, 7:15, 10:05
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 2:15, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30
INSIDE MAN (R) 3:00, 7:05, 10:00

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) ✓ 2:05, 4:45, 7:45, 10:35
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:25, 1:15, 2:00, 2:40, 3:30, 4:15, 4:55, 5:35, 6:30, 7:10, 7:50, 8:45, 9:25, 10:05, 11:00
THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:30, 2:35, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:50, 3:15, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:50, 3:15, 5:20, 7:35, 9:50
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 2:15, 5:15, 7:55, 10:50
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 2:20, 5:05, 7:40, 10:15
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00
ATL (PG13) 12:10, 2:45, 5:30, 8:00, 10:40
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:20, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 4:10, 4:50, 5:25, 6:45, 7:25, 8:05, 9:00, 9:40, 10:20
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:55, 4:00, 7:05, 10:10
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 1:05, 3:20, 5:45, 8:15, 10:25
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 1:00, 3:25, 5:40, 8:10, 10:45
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 7:30, 10:30
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 12:15, 2:55, 5:10, 7:20, 9:55

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12
Exit 4A I-95, 1/2 mi. on Oxon Hill Rd.
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SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:40, 1:10, 3:05, 4:10, 5:40, 7:00, 8:20, 9:40, 10:40
THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:10
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 1:50, 5:10, 7:40, 10:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 1:40, 4:50, 7:40, 10:10
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 1:30, 4:30, 5:00, 7:20, 7:50, 10:00, 10:30
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:30, 7:30, 10:20
ATL (PG13) 1:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:50, 1:20, 3:10, 4:20, 5:25, 8:10, 10:20
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:50, 4:10, 7:10, 10:00
MADEA'S FAMILY REUNION (PG13) 7:10, 9:50

AMC UNION STATION 9
Located at Union Station
703-998-4AMC

PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) ✓ 12:55, 3:55, 6:55, 9:55
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00, 10:05
THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:00, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 3:15, 5:50, 8:15, 10:30
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) 12:10, 2:50, 6:05, 8:45
ATL (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 9:40
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) ✓ 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) ✓ 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6
Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
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SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 3:10, 5:30, 8:00, 10:05
THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:30, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:40, 9:45
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 9:55
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:10, 7:50, 10:05
LARRY THE CABLE GUY: HEALTH INSPECTOR (PG13) 12:45, 2:50, 5:20, 8:00, 10:15

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220 844

PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) 1:10, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 4:10, 5:10, 7:10, 8:00, 9:40, 10:30
THE WILD (G) 12:00, 2:20, 4:50, 7:25, 9:50
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:05, 9:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:30, 10:10
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) 12:25, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:25
ATL (PG13) 12:15, 1:15, 3:05, 4:15, 5:40, 7:15, 8:20, 9:55, 10:45
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:40, 3:10, 5:25, 8:10, 10:20
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:00, 4:05, 7:00, 10:00
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:00, 4:05, 7:00, 10:00
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 12:50, 5:50, 10:35
MADEA'S FAMILY REUNION (PG13) 3:20, 8:05

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

ON A CLEAR DAY (PG13) 2:00, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30
MARILYN HOTCHKISS' BALLROOM DANCING & CHARM SCHOOL (PG13) 1:40, 4:10, 7:00, 9:20
DON'T COME KNOCKING (R) 1:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
MERRY CHRISTMAS (PG13) 1:10, 7:00
TSOTSI (R) 1:20, 4:50, 7:30, 9:40
MRS. HENDERSON PRESENTS (R) 1:50, 7:10
TRANSAMERICA (R) 4:30, 9:10
CAPOTE (R) 3:40, 9:20

LOEWS DUPONT 5
1350 19th St.
202-872-9555 711

MARILYN HOTCHKISS' BALLROOM DANCING & CHARM SCHOOL (PG13) 2:15, 5:15, 7:45, 10:10
ASK THE DUST (R) 2:00, 5:00, 7:30, 10:05
WHY WE FIGHT (PG13) 2:30, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15
BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50
CAPOTE (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 11:20, 12:15, 1:00, 1:45, 2:35, 3:25, 4:15, 5:05, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:25, 9:10, 9:50, 10:45, 11:30
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) ✓ 12:15, 2:35, 5:05, 7:30, 9:50
THE WILD (G) ✓ 11:00, 1:05, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45, 9:55
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) ✓ 11:10, 1:15, 3:35, 5:55, 8:15, 10:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 12:10, 2:45, 5:25, 8:05, 10:40
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 11:05, 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:25
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 11:15, 12:00, 12:45, 1:35, 2:20, 3:15, 4:10, 5:00, 5:50, 6:30, 7:25, 8:10, 8:55, 9:45, 10:25, 11:10
INSIDE MAN (R) 11:30, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:35, 6:35, 7:40, 8:30, 9:35, 10:35, 11:25
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 12:05, 2:25, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 1:10, 4:20, 7:20, 10:20
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 12:25, 2:55, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) 1:10, 4:10, 7:25, 10:10
SCARY MOVIE 4 (PG13) 11:40, 12:45, 2:00, 3:10, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30, 11:55
THE WILD (G) 12:20, 2:50, 5:05, 7:35, 9:50
THE BENCHWARMERS (PG13) 11:30, 2:10, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00, 12:10
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) 11:10, 1:50, 4:40, 7:20, 10:05
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) 12:10, 2:40, 5:20, 7:55, 10:35
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) 1:20, 4:25, 7:05, 9:55
ATL (PG13) 7:40, 10:25
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 11:00, 12:00, 1:30, 2:30, 4:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:45, 12:05
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:00, 4:05, 7:10, 10:20
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:00, 4:05, 7:10, 10:20
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 5:10
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 11:50, 2:45
THANK YOU FOR SMOKING (R) 11:20, 2:20, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15
V FOR VENDETTA (R) 7:50, 10:45
FAILURE TO LAUNCH (PG13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:25, 8:05, 10:40

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

THE WILD (G) ✓ 12:30, 2:30, 4:45, 7:20, 9:30
LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 12:15, 2:45, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 12:50, 3:15, 5:30, 8:00, 10:20
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 4:10, 7:00, 9:45
ATL (PG13) 2:40, 7:50
INSIDE MAN (R) 12:00, 1:15, 2:50, 4:20, 5:40, 7:10, 8:30, 10:00
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 12:20, 5:15, 10:15
THE PINK PANTHER (PG) 12:40, 2:50
MUNICH (R) 5:00, 8:25

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LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R) ✓ 2:10, 5:00, 7:20, 9:45
PHAT GIRLZ (PG13) ✓ 1:40, 4:15, 7:20, 9:40
TAKE THE LEAD (PG13) ✓ 1:05, 4:20, 7:00, 10:00
ATL (PG13) 1:15, 4:30, 7:25, 9:50
ICE AGE: THE MELTDOWN (PG) ✓ 1:00, 3:10, 5:15, 7:40, 9:55
INSIDE MAN (R) 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 10:00
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 8:00, 10:10
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:30

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PREACHING TO THE CHOIR (PG13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:40, 10:10
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BASIC INSTINCT 2 (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:30, 9:50
STAY ALIVE (PG13) 2:40, 5:10, 7:20, 9:20
SHE'S THE MAN (PG13) 1:30, 4:10, 7:10, 9:35
THE SHAGGY DOG (PG) 2:30, 5:00
16 BLOCKS (PG13) 7:35, 9:35
AQUAMARINE (PG) 1:40, 4:05
MEMOIRS OF A GEISHA (PG13) 7:00, 10:00

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***PHAT GIRLZ (PG-13)** 12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:55, 10:35

***LUCKY NUMBER SLEVIN (R)** 12:50, 4:20, 7:40, 10:30

***TAKE THE LEAD (PG-13)** 12:25, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55

***BENCHWARMERS (PG-13)** 12:55, 4:05, 6:55, 9:20

ICE AGE 2: THE MELTDOWN (PG) 12:15, 1:15, 2:45, 3:45, 5:15, 6:25, 7:45, 9:00, 10:15

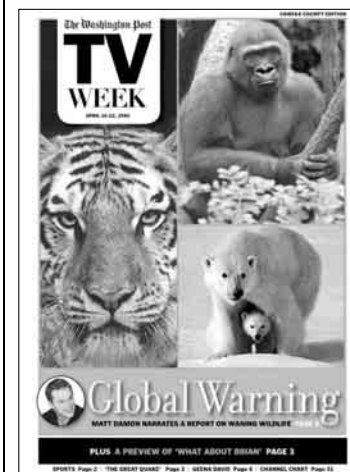
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SLITHER (R) 1:10, 3:40, 6:40, 9:15

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INSIDE MAN (R) 12:10, 3:15, 7:00, 10:0

**Sunday in
The Washington Post**



Getting Warmer: Matt Damon narrates "The State of the Planet's Wildlife," a powerful PBS special on the impact of global warming on animals. | *TV Week*

Oh, Behave: A grown-up writer goes back to school for an etiquette brush-up. Also, how to wear a cam-isolet under your work suit. Um, if you're a girl. | *Sunday Source*

Now Playing

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tearing down the state, but he looks like a guy in a comic book. (Wait, he was.) That ruins the audience's ability to connect with his lonely mission, so the film front-loads the regime he despises to make up in hatred what it can't create in empathy. The film is pulp claptrap; it has no insights into totalitarian psychology and always settles for the cheesiest kinds of demagoguery and harangue as its emblems of evil. (SH)

WHY WE FIGHT (PG-13, 98 minutes) Of all the recent incendiary, left-wing, anti-Bush screeds, Eugene Jarecki's is probably the best. Jarecki isn't just a polemicist, he's also a filmmaker. The argument is that America is foolish and knavish in that it depends on a war economy and that the secret purpose of its foreign policy is to find enemies to justify huge military spending. (SH)

REVIEWS BY THE WASHINGTON POST'S ANN HORNADAY, STEPHEN HUNTER, MICHAEL O'SULLIVAN, DESSON THOMSON AND TERESA WILTZ. FOR MORE CAPSULES AND FULL REVIEWS OF THESE AND OTHER FILMS SEE THE WASHINGTON POST'S WEEKEND SECTION

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SOUNDS PLAUSIBLE: Entertainer Wayne Brady is busy getting his CW pilot cast. Marco Sanchez, Guy Torry and Marcelle Larice have joined the cast of "Flirt," in which Brady stars as the only man working at a women's magazine.



Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

STAY HEALTHY. BERNIE

THE BERNIE MAC SHOW (Fri., 8 p.m., Fox) wraps up its season with an hour-long episode in which Bernie has a near-death experience. Unfortunately, this episode may be too close to the truth. The prognosis is never healthy for a show that wraps



Hard to see why “Brian” isn’t married.

up before the May sweeps period.

VIEWING FOR YOUR HAM COMA

Easter weekend abounds with religious-themed programming. **THE TEN COMMANDMENTS** (Sat., 7 p.m., ABC) airs as it has for decades. Director Cecil B. DeMille's star-studded production turns 50 this year.

SAD VIGIL

THE LAST DAYS OF POPE JOHN PAUL II (Sat., 7 p.m., CNN) touches on the pope's final appearance last Easter, when he tried in vain to address the gathered faithful outside his window. The special report interviews many of his most intimate friends from Poland and the Vatican as well as correspondents who covered his three-decade papacy.

THAT'S A TOUGHIE

GOD OR THE GIRL (Sun., 9 p.m., A&E) follows four young men at a personal and spiritual crossroads, as they try to decide



Delia Gallagher reports in Vatican City
in CNN's "Last Days of Pope John Paul II."

whether their desire to join the Roman Catholic priesthood is stronger than their need to date and marry women and possibly raise families.

ME. ME. MOI. ME. ME. ME ...

MADONNALIVE (Sat., 10p.m., BBC America) may sound like a concert special, but it's really a talk show with performances of

"Hung Up" and "Get Together." She chats with veteran host Michael Parkinson, who has the pleasant habit of allowing his guests to speak at length.

WHAT ABOUT GOOD COMEDIES?

The hour-long romantic comedy series **WHAT ABOUT BRIAN** (Sun., 10 p.m., ABC) gets a sneak preview before assuming its usual perch on Monday nights. Barry Watson stars as Brian, a nice, handsome guy in his mid-30s who forms a fifth wheel to his tight and claustrophobic cluster of married and coupled-off friends.

HE'S SUCH A GREAT MEDIATOR

THE SOPRANOS (Sun., 9 p.m., HBO) Tony settles a simmering dispute.

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BIG LOVE (Sun., 10 p.m., HBO) Bill returns to the compound to attend a funeral and settle some business with Roman.

CULT CHOICE

A story about troubled daughters and a



DIRE VISIONS: Bernie Mac has a brush with death in the show's season closer.

message of racial tolerance keep the tears flowing in the 1959 melodrama **IMITATION OF LIFE** (Sat., 8 p.m., TCM). Directed by Douglas Sirk, "Life" stars Lana Turner, John Gavin, Mahalia Jackson, Sandra Dee and Troy Donahue. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

4.14.05	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC 4	News		NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Deal or No Deal			Las Vegas		Conviction "Downhill" (N)	News	Tonight Show
	WTTG 5	Seinfeld	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Seinfeld	The Bernie Mac Show		Trading Spouses: Meet-Mommy		News	Geraldo at Large	Friends	
	WJLA 7	News	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (N)		Primetime		20/20	News	(35) Nightline	
	WUSA 9	News	CBS News	9News Tonight	Ent. Tonight	Ghost Whisperer "Unleash Comic"		Close to Home "Under Threat"		NUMB3RS "In Plain Sight" (TV)	News	Late Show	
	WDCB 20	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Friends	MLB Baseball Washington Nationals at Florida Marlins. From Dolphins Stadium in Miami. (Live)					Every-Raymond	The Tyra Banks Show	Spoiled teens.	
	WMPT 22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	State Circle	Washington Week	NOW (N)		Doo Wop Cavalcade: The Definitive Anthology A mix of live and archival performances.				Antiques Road	
	WETA 26	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Washington Week	Inside Wash.		NOW (N)	Masterpiece Theatre "Bleak House"	Masterpiece Theatre "Bleak House"		Legends of Jaz	
	WHUT 32	White House	Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Moneywise	Evening Exch	To the Contrary	History Detectives		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N)	
	WBDC 50	Steve Harvey	The Parkers	My Wife and Kids	Bernie Mac	Survival of the Richest (N)		Reba (N)	Modern Men (N)	Bernie Mac	My Wife and Kids	Sex and the City	Will & Grace
NATION-WIDE	A&E	Cold Case Files		Crossing Jordan "Justice Delayed"		Biography: John Ritter		Biography "John Belushi"		Biography: Chris Farley		American Justice: Duty...	
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries		Pet Star		Dog Show "Eukanuba Tournament of Champions 2006" Portland, Ore.						Dog Show: Tournament of Champions	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top 10 countdown. (N)			BET.com Count	Rides, Rims & Runways (N)		Beach Towel Throwdown (N)		College Hill	Lil Kim Lock.	In Living Color	In Living Color
	Bravo	Psychic at Large	Psychic at Large	Top Chef Low-cost appetizer.		*** "The Firm" (1998, Drama) Tom Cruise. A law-school grad signs on with a sinister Tennessee firm.						*** "A Bronx Tale" (1993)	
	Comedy	★ ★ "Big Trouble" (2002, Comedy) Tim Allen, Rene Russo.				Daily Show	Colbert Report	Stand Up Nation With Greg Giraldo Andy Kindler; Pat Dixon. (N)					South Park
	Court	Masterminds	Masterminds	Cops	Cops	The Investigators		Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	LA Forensics (N)	The Investigators	Fakers & Takers
	Discovery	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Oil, Sweat and Rigs		Deadliest Catch "On the Crab"		Science of Survival (N)		Secrets to Survival "Skydiver"		Oil, Sweat and Rigs	
	DISCH	Paramedics "Chaos Theory"		Trauma: Life in the ER		Trauma: Life in the ER		Dr. G. Medical Examiner		Skeleton Stories "Basement Burial"		Trauma: Life in the ER	
	Disney	That's So Raven	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	That's So Raven	★ ★ "The Little Vampire" (2000) Jonathan Lipnicki, Richard E. Grant.		Phil of the Future	Even Stevens	Zack & Cody		That's So Raven	
	E!	It's Good to Be	Simple Life	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Mary-Kate & Ashley		Simple Life	Simple Life	The Soup (N)	Girl Next Door	Saturday Night Live	
	FX	King of the Hill	King of the Hill	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Thief	
	HGTV	Renovation	Wknd Warriors	Curb Appeal	House Hunters	101 Spring Ideas		Double Take (N)	FreeStyle (N)	House Hunters		House Hunters	Debbie Travis' Facelift Home office.
	Family	7th Heaven "The Enemy Within"		7th Heaven "Bowling for Eric"		★ ★ "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" (1992, Comedy) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci.				Whose Line?		The 700 Club	
	History	UFO Files: UFOs in the Bible		Modern Marvels: Death Devices		10 Days That Changed America		10 Days That Changed America		10 Days That Changed America		10 Days That Changed America	
	Lifetime	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	Cheerleader Nation (N)		Cheerleader Nation		★ ★ "28 Days" (2000, Drama) Sandra Bullock, Viggo Mortensen.				Will & Grace	Will & Grace
	MTV	Yo Momma	Life & Rhymes	Direct Effect		ADD Videos	Punk'd	Yo Momma	Yo Momma	The Real World		The Real World	My Super Sweet 16
	NICK	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	SpongeBob	Catcratch	Avatar-Last Air	The X's	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom	Full House	Fresh Prince	Mad About You	The Cosby Show
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Upgrades"		John Doe "Family Man"		Stargate SG-1 "Collateral Damage"		Doctor Who "Dalek" (N)		Stargate Atlantis		Stargate SG-1 "Collateral Damage"	
	SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		The Shield "Pay in Pain"		The Shield "Cupid and Psycho"	
	TBS	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	*** "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring" (2001, Fantasy) (PA) Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, Liv Ullmann. Premiere.							Wild Wild West
	TLC	Martha (N)		Tuckerville	Tuckerville	What Not to Wear "Reunion: Teresa"		What Not to Wear "Vandy C." (N)		Honey We're Killing the Kids		What Not to Wear "Reunion: Teresa"	
	TNT	Charmed "The Fifth Halliwell"		Law & Order "Soldier of Fortune"		*** "Remember the Titans" (2000, Drama) Denzel Washington, Will Patton.				*** "Remember the Titans" (2000) Will Patton			
	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Monk "Mr. Monk Goes to the Office"		House "Mob Rules"	
	VH1	Top 20 Countdown (N)				The 40 Hottest Rock Star Girlfriends... and Wives Beautiful partners.				Hogan Knows		Hogan Knows	Celebrity Eye
	SPANISH	TELEM	Sala de Parejas	Noti-Telemundo	La Tormenta		Tierra de Pasiones	Corazon Partido	Decisiones	Decisiones		Noti-Telemundo	Titulares y Mas
		UNIV	Que Locura	Noticiero Univ	Peregrina (N)		"La Vida de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo" (1986, Drama) Jorge Rivero. La historia clásica sobre la vida de Jesucristo.					Primer Impacto	Noticiero Univ.
SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live)		NBA Shootaround		NBA Basketball Washington Wizards at Chicago Bulls. From the United Center in Chicago.				NBA Basketball Phoenix Suns at Golden State Warriors.			
	ESPN2	Mike and Mike	Around the Horn	Interruption	It's the Shoes	Battle of the Gridiron Stars		Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Live)				Quite Frankly With Stephen A. Smith	
	CSN	Baseball Report	SportsNite	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim at Baltimore Orioles. From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.						SportsNite (Live)		Maryland Wm.	Best-Sports
MOVIES	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live Paula Abdul. (N)		Anderson Cooper 360			
	FNC	Special Report (Live)		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live)		Hannity & Colmes (Live)		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
	MSNBC	The Abrams Report		Hardball		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		MSNBC Investigates		MSNBC Investigates		MSNBC: Lockup: The Inmate Diaries	
TV-14	AMC	★ ★ ★ "First Blood" (1982, Drama) Sylvester Stallone. 'R'				★ ★ ★ "What About Bob?" (1991, Comedy) Bill Murray, Julie Hagerty. 'PG'				(15) ★ ★ "Tremors 3: Back to Perfection" (2001, Action) Michael Gross. 'PG'			
	TCM	Millionaires	★ ★ "Betrayal From the East" (1945) Leo Tracy. 'NR'			★ ★ ★ "A Dog of Flanders" (1950, Drama) David Ladd, Donald Crisp. 'NR'				★ ★ ★ "Benji" (1974, Comedy) Peter Breck. 'G'		Lassie-Home	
	HBO	(15) ★ "Picture Perfect" (1997, Comedy) Jennifer Aniston. 'PG-13'				★ ★ "Flight of the Phoenix" (2004) Dennis Quaid. 'PG-13'				The Sopranos		Real Time	
	MAX	★ ★ "Elektra" (2005) Jennifer Garner. 'PG-13'		(15) ★ ★ ★ "Selena" (1997, Biography) Jennifer Lopez, Edward James Olmos. 'PG'						★ ★ "Monster-in-Law" (2005) Jennifer Lopez. 'PG-13'		(15) Hot Line	
	SHOW	(5:00) ★ ★ "The Mask of Zorro"		(15) ★ ★ ★ "Mean Girls" (2004) Lindsay Lohan. (TV) 'PG-13'			Weeds (TV)	Weeds (TV)		HUFF "Whipped Doggie" (TV)		Penn & Teller: Penn & Teller	
	TMC	(5:35) ★ ★ "The Pelican Brief" (1993) Julia Roberts. 'PG-13'			★ ★ "Hangman's Curse" (2008, Suspense) David Keith. 'PG-13'					★ ★ "King of the Ants" (2003) Chris McKenna. 'R'		Johnny Mnemonic	
	STARZ!	(5:40) ★ ★ "D.E.B.S." (2004) 'PG-13'		(15) ★ ★ "After the Sunset" (2004) Pierce Brosnan. 'PG-13'			★ ★ ★ "Hitch" (2005, Romance-Comedy) Will Smith. 'PG-13'				(10) ★ ★ ★ "Kill Bill: Vol. 2" (2004)		
ENCORE	(5:45) ★ ★ "Mystery, Alaska" (1999) Russell Crowe, Hank Azaria. 'R'				★ ★ "Shall We Dance?" (2004) Richard Gere. Premiere. 'PG-13'				★ ★ "The Foratoten" (2001) Julianne Moore. 'PG-13'		About-Night...		

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What's it take to spend a full day tasting some of the world's best specialty brews? For Chuck Skypeck, early morning exercise and a big breakfast, followed by an equally hearty lunch.

That regimen was a must for Skypeck at this week's World Beer Cup, because unlike their colleagues in the world of fine wine, the judges weren't wasting any of the samples on a spittoon.

"We're beer drinkers. We don't spit," said Skypeck, co-founder of Memphis, Tennessee-based Bosc's brewpubs, with a chuckle. "I think especially with beer, you're not going to experience the full flavors, the character, unless you take that swallow. It just completes the experience."

He was one of about 1,900 brewers, business owners and beer lovers who flocked to the Pacific Northwest, an epicenter of the modern microbrewing boom, for this week's beer competition and annual Craft Brewers Conference.

They're gathering at a heady time for the industry, which is seeing its small slice of the alcoholic beverage market increase.

Last year's sales of craft beer were up by about 9 percent, the second straight year of impressive growth. At the same time, mass-produced national brands saw a slight decline.

Industry leaders say the resurgence, the biggest since craft beer's mid-1990s boom days, reflects a general shift among American consumers toward richer, more flavorful products.

"You look over the last 20 years, and the fact that salsa has replaced



Denise Jones, demonstrating how beers are judged at the World Beer Cup, takes in a sniff of an American-style pale ale; bartender David Lewis serves up a cold one.

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Cup of Victory

ketchup as the leading condiment in the United States, and the whole sort of coffee revolution that was launched by Starbucks," said Ray Daniels, marketing director for the Boulder, Colo.-based Brewers Association.

Age also plays a part. While older consumers appreciate slightly pricier craft beers, the newest generation of beer drinkers has an independent streak that also favors small-batch regional brews, said Paul Gatz, the Brewers Association's director.

"Their level of loyalty pretty much exists to the next thing they want to do. I think that bodes well to getting out of this corporate beer mentality," Gatz said.

This year's installment of the World Beer Cup, a biennial con-

“With beer, you’re not going to experience the full flavors, the character, unless you take that swallow.”

CHUCK SKYPECK
BEER DRINKER

test for microbrews dubbed “the Olympics of beer competitions,” is the largest ever, Daniels said.

The association designated 110 judges to smell, sip and savor their way through some 2,275 beers, sent from about 540 breweries in

55 countries.

The samples were shipped first to the association's Colorado headquarters, then collected and trucked to the convention site in Seattle — with extras held in reserve in case of an accident.

The top finishers in some 85 categories were to be announced Friday, with flavors ranging from familiar varieties like pilseners to experimental brews incorporating different vegetables and spices.

In between, there's plenty of time for brewers from around the globe to rub elbows and swap trade secrets.

"It's kind of a cutthroat business in some ways, but small brewers have really felt the need to make sure we're all helping each other out," Skypeck said.

"I think it's probably to do with the fact that the industry itself has some enemies, kind of neo-prohibitionists. There's always someone trying to basically put us out of business or increase our excise taxes or whatever," said George Hancock, founder of Seattle's Pyramid Breweries.

With the judging finished Wednesday, Skypeck and others who'd spent two days holed up in separate tasting rooms were free to roam the aisles of Seattle's convention center, catch up with colleagues and give their palates a rest.

"You know what the real downside is?" he said. "After 53 samples of beer last night, we had our opening reception ... and guess what I didn't want to drink?" CURT WOODWARD (AP)

LOOK out

Voices

Health

Boston Marathon

JIM HAGE, a freelance writer and copy editor for The Post, was online Thursday to discuss the upcoming Boston Marathon | washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Hi, I've been trying to gear up for a 5K race on the 23rd but keep experiencing what I'm guessing are shin splints. I'm taking it easy this week but need to get going this weekend to be prepped for the race. Do you have any tips?

Shin splints are a bummer but can be limited by choosing a soft(er) surface on which to run, like trails, grass or a track. Running on roads and sidewalks can exacerbate the problem.

I have a breathing question for you: Are there any hard-and-fast rules to breathing while jogging? Without really trying, I synchronize my steps, taking two steps for each inhale/exhale. Is this normal? Good?

Breathing, yes, do it. Rules? Do it regularly? I don't know about synchronizing breathing but a lot of people talk about a "conversational pace," which means if you can hold a reasonable conversation (substance aside) while running without huffing and puffing, then that's about the right pace.

What's the deal with running without shoes? I saw an article earlier this year saying that sports physiologists now believe running without shoes puts less strain on your knees and back by making you run on the balls of your feet, instead of your heels.

Running without shoes is crazy, Abebe Bikila notwithstanding. Actually, there was a guy from Brazil who raced in this area, and raced pretty well, barefoot a few years ago. He doesn't race anymore, as if you needed more evidence.

I ran the National Marathon and a handful of veteran runners said the course was tough -- tougher than Boston. What do you think?

I ran only the first half of the National Marathon course, which was flat as a pancake. But I heard the second half was very challenging, even scenic. Boston is very different. The first 10 miles are downhill. With all the adrenaline at the start, many tend to go out too fast anyway, then really suffer when the hills start at 16 or so. Heartbreak Hill, for all its notoriety, isn't that bad. But the point at which it hits, after all the pounding one's quads have already suffered, make it a killer.

Non-marathon runner in New York here, in fact, just an eager beginner. I've started treadmill-running at the local gym and have become addicted to the workout. At present, I'm running 1 mile in just under 9 minutes and I'm just a 25-year-old gal. Any tips on slowly being able to run longer distances at this rate? I usually bottom out if I try to run beyond two miles at one time.

Fresh blood. Sounds as if you're doing well. While a treadmill can be a good surface, get outside and smell the buses! Nothing beats running outdoors on a day like this, even in NYC. But especially in Central Park.

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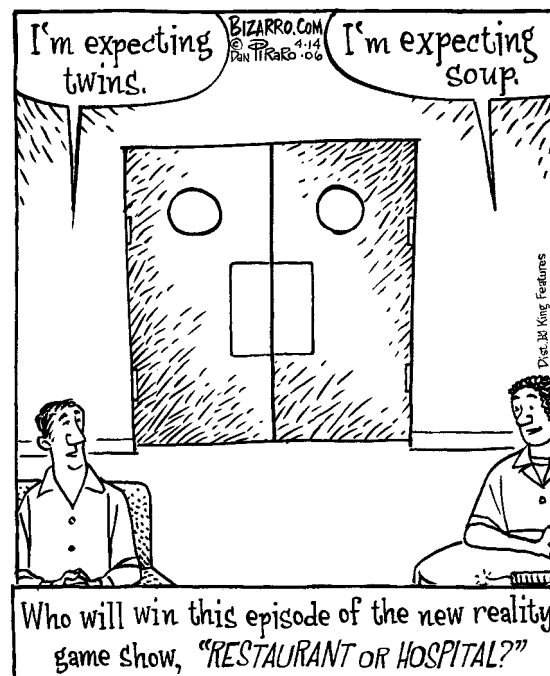
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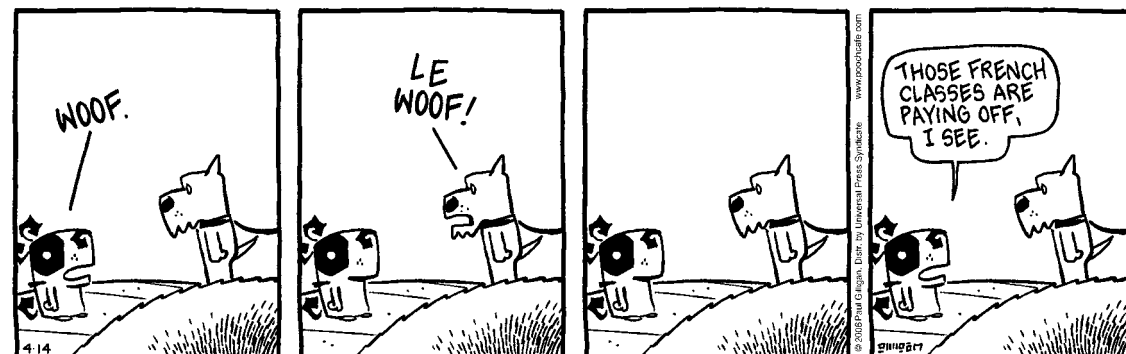
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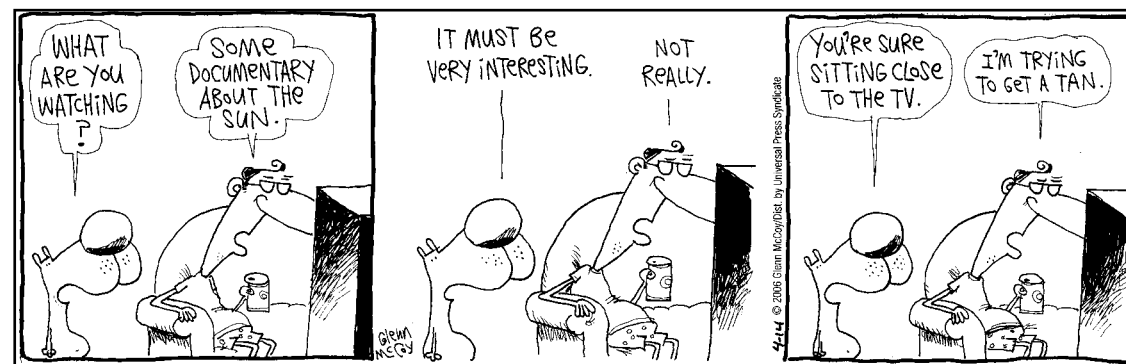
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Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may be a little more selfish than you are wont to be—and that, right now, is perfectly acceptable. You’ve earned some self-concern.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have to spend money to obtain what you used to get for free. The times they are a-changing, and you have to change with them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be more tactful than usual if you wish to avoid a fight with someone who may well prove to be a formidable adversary after all.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You were smart to turn to other Cancer natives for the kind of personal advice and assistance you need. Stick together; you know best.

LEO (July 23-Aug 22) It’s important for you to surround yourself with as many positive people as possible. You’re feeling vulnerable, and need a boost.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone you know may surprise you—and give you a

jolt that awakens something that’s been asleep beneath the surface.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) This is a good day to relax and take things more in stride. Concentrate on remaining calm and unflappable, no matter what happens.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) This may be the day to break with tradition on a certain issue and speak with your own clear and independent voice. Don’t be bashful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Your own unpredictability may be the very thing, paradoxically, that lets the competition know just what you are up to.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It’s important that you exercise the right of free agency throughout the day, even when those who would claim authority challenge you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Some may feel that your actions are objectionable, but the fact is, you have no choice: Progress depends on taking a risk right now.

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Today

Rain at times, maybe a thunderstorm

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Tonight

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59°

Saturday

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78° / 52°

Sunday

Becoming cloudy, perhaps more rain

70° / 49°

Monday

Partly sunny, chance of a shower

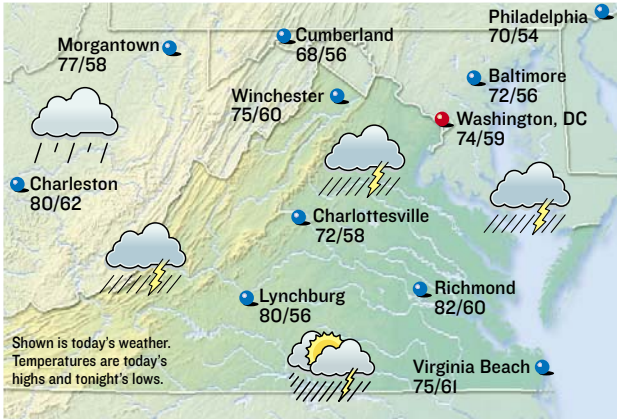
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Tuesday

Partly sunny

68° / 49°

Regional Weather



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Temperature

High 77°

Low 58°

Normal high 66°

Normal low 45°

Average humidity 55%

Precipitation

24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.00"

Month to date 1.26"

Normal month to date 1.20"

Year to date 7.02"

Last year to date 11.96"

Normal year to date 10.64"

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Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, cloudy, rain at times, maybe a thunderstorm. High 74. Wind southwest 7-14 mph. Tonight, chance of a shower. Low 59.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:34 a.m.

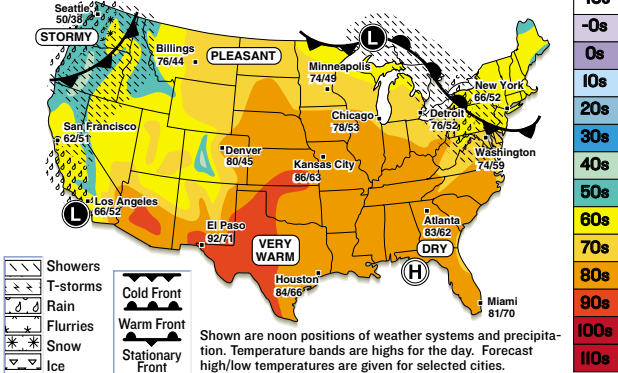
Sunset tonight 7:44 p.m.

Moonrise today 9:05 p.m.

Moonset today 6:48 a.m.



National Weather for Friday, April 14



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	83/62/s	85/60/s
Boston	65/50/pc	65/46/pc
Chicago	78/53/t	70/54/pc
Dallas	86/65/s	86/67/pc
Denver	80/45/pc	66/40/c
Honolulu	83/72/r	83/71/pc
Los Angeles	66/52/r	68/52/pc
Miami	81/70/pc	84/68/s
New York City	66/52/r	74/48/pc
Orlando	86/62/s	88/62/s
Seattle	50/38/r	48/38/r

World Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Amsterdam	50/39/c	58/43/pc
Athens	64/48/c	68/58/pc
Berlin	46/36/c	54/41/pc
Buenos Aires	68/48/sh	61/50/s
Calgary	56/31/pc	43/23/c
Dublin	52/43/pc	54/43/pc
Geneva	63/43/pc	65/46/sh
Moscow	48/39/r	43/34/r
Rome	66/46/s	66/50/pc
Sydney	78/60/pc	66/53/s
Tokyo	54/44/c	61/45/s

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

LOOK out People

CRUEL Child Expected to Be Unable To Spell Own Surname

MAGGIE GYLLENHAAL and **PETER SARSGAARD** are engaged and expecting a baby, her publicist said Tuesday. It will be the first marriage for both actors, Gyllenhaal's representative, Amanda Silverman. The couple have been dating for four years. Screen credits for Gyllenhaal, 28, include roles in "Mona Lisa Smile," "Secretary" and "Donnie Darko." Sarsgaard, 35, starred alongside Jake Gyllenhaal in last year's war drama "Jarhead." His screen credits also include "Boys Don't Cry," "Shattered Glass" and "Kinsey." (AP)



"Peter KNEW I was wearing a plunging neckline. Why did he have to copy me?"

ADOPTION Motorcycle Trip Inspires Foreign Baby Acquisition

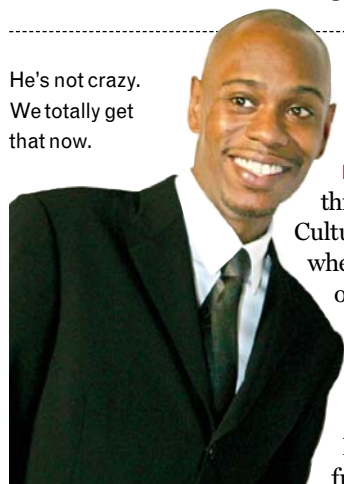
EWAN MCGREGOR and wife Eve Mavrakis have adopted a 4-year-old girl from Mongolia, People magazine reported. The pair have two biological daughters, Esther, 4, and Clara, 1. In 2004, McGregor

journeyed through Mongolia on a round-the-world motorcycle trip, which was filmed for Bravo. He's planning another pan-global ride for 2007, to benefit UNICEF.

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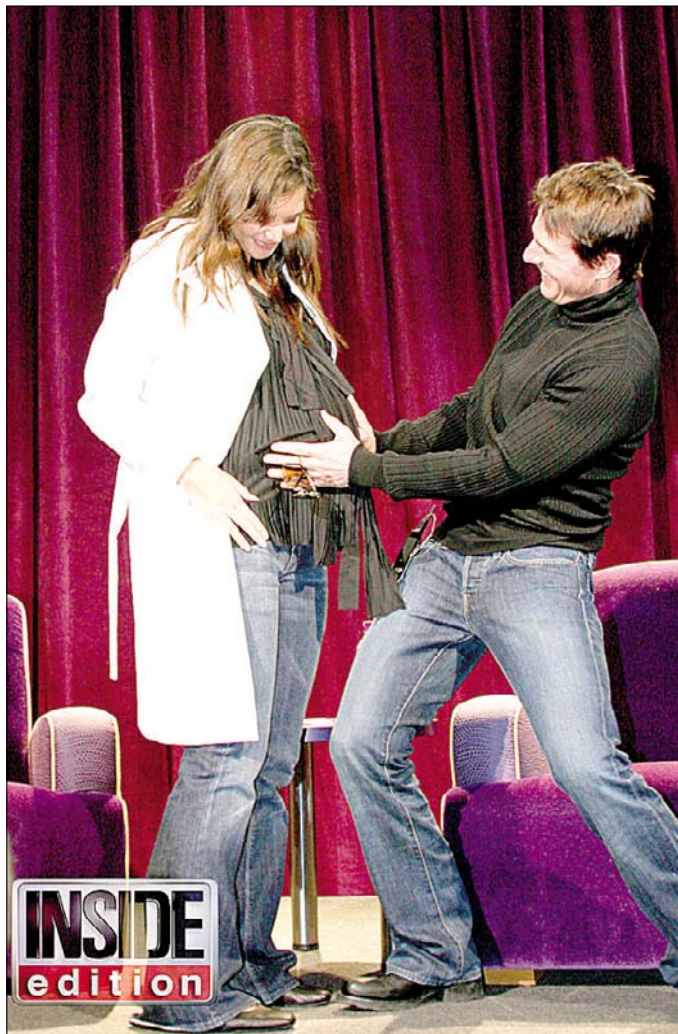


He's not crazy.
We totally get
that now.



PSYCHOLOGY Rational-Sounding Arguments Suggest Secret Craziest

DAVE CHAPPELLE tells Esquire that he had three reasons for quitting "Chappelle's Show." Cultural: "White people own everything, and where can a black person go and be himself or say something that's familiar to him and not have to explain or apologize?" Professional: "I felt like I was really pressured to settle for something that I didn't necessarily feel like I wanted." Personal: "Show business ... forces dysfunctional relationships in people." (AP)



FREAKY SILENCE!

Close Your Ears!

TOM CRUISE has been practically shouting from the rooftops about his love for **KATIE HOLMES**. But when their baby is born, Cruise probably won't say a word. According to Scientology, words spoken during birth are recorded by the brain. Those memories can eventually trigger problems for mother and child. "We're not going for absolute silence," said self-professed "Scientology mom" Michelle Seward. "If a sound is made, that's OK." (AP)



Even surrounded by water, this poor sea creature will never feel clean again.

GROUNDBREAKING Scientists Wonder: Will a Goatee Grow Underwater?

DAVID BLAINE's latest stunt will be to live underwater for a week in a "human aquarium" in front of New York's Lincoln Center. He will conclude this feat by attempting to hold his breath underwater longer than the record of eight minutes, 58 seconds. ABC will air the finale live on May 8. (AP)

HUBRIS Urge to Fail on Film Claims Another Musician

ALICIA KEYS is adding another line to her acting resume. The Grammy-winning singer/songwriter has been cast in the big-screen adaptation of "The Nanny Diaries," her spokeswoman, said Thursday. The film features Scarlett Johansson as a nanny for a wealthy Manhattan family. Paul Giamatti, Laura Linney and Chris Evans also star. Keys will play the nanny's best friend. (AP)



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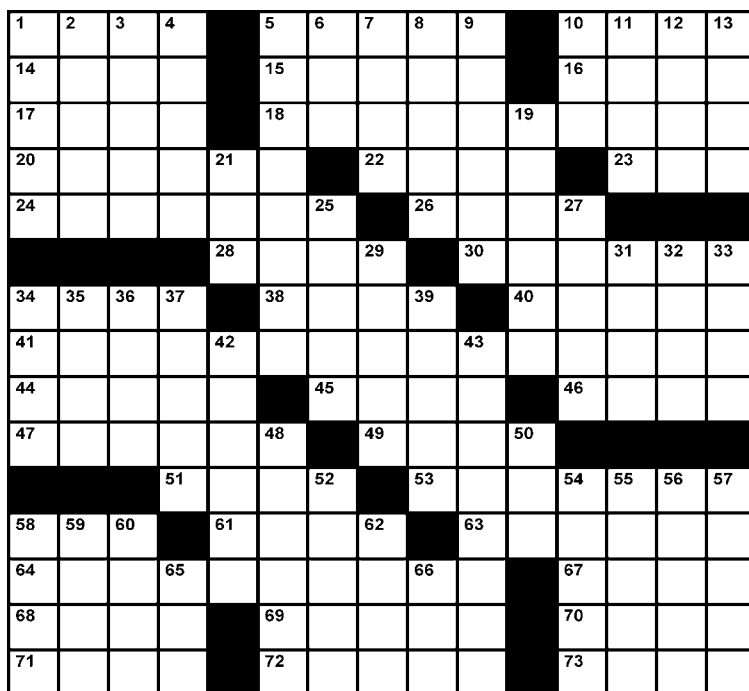
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20 Book slips?
22 Mascara's target
23 Some paper rectangles
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26 Feudal fellow
28 They may have a crush on you
30 Cowboys' ropes
34 Moises or Felipe of baseball
38 World Series workers
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41 1950 Billy Wilder movie
44 Big name in chips
45 Woody Guthrie's son
46 Focus group?
47 Greek marketplaces
49 Some boxing outcomes
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53 TV legend Red
58 Rose-rose linkup
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DOWN

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Bow
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73 Part of Doris Day's theme song

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3 Term of affection
4 Group of eight workers
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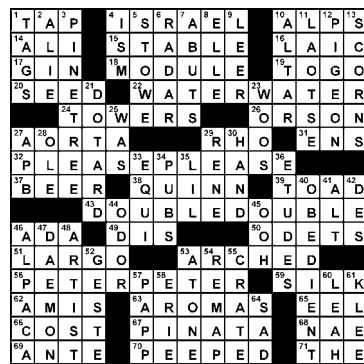


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59 Marquis de ____
60 Frank with a diary
62 Today's Persia
65 Bert Bobbsey's twin
66 Hockey great Bobby

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1775 The first American society for the abolition of slavery was organized by Benjamin Franklin and Benjamin Rush.

1828 The first edition of Noah Webster's "American Dictionary of the English Language" was published.

1865 President Lincoln was shot and mortally wounded by John Wilkes Booth while attending the comedy "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theater in Washington. (Lincoln died the following morning.)

1902 James Cash Penney opened his first store, called "The Golden Rule," in Kemmerer, Wyo.

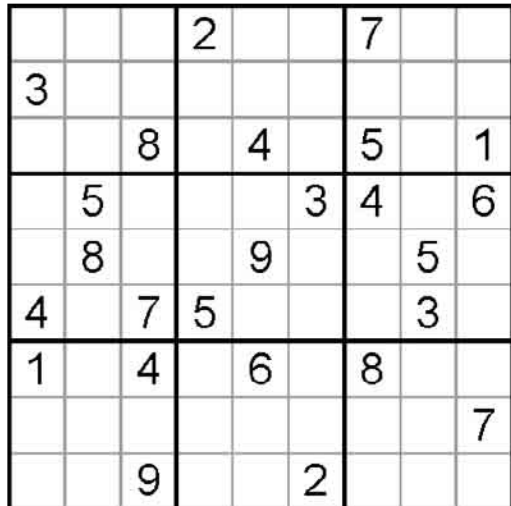
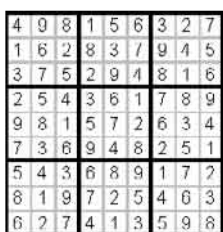
1939 The John Steinbeck novel "The Grapes of Wrath" was first published.

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COSTUME DRAMA: Tonya Beckman Ross and Ian Merrill Peakes show off romantic, way-retro fashions in our cover story; they're also putting on the glitz in "The Game of Love and Chance" at the Folger Theatre.

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② Reverse Gum

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③ Cameras That Lie

What obesity epidemic? America, here's a gadget to enable your denial: the HP Photosmart R927 digital camera (or one of several other new shooters from the company), which can slim subjects before the shots ever see paper or a computer screen. This technology is more novel than a marvel: It warps the picture from the inside out, narrowing objects or people in the center and broadening the edges. Supposedly, it'll take off the 10 pounds the camera adds, or even more. So cover all the mirrors and shoot a self-portrait. Who needs exercise or a sensible diet!



⑤ If Only They'd Add It for Rush

D.C.'s New York envy subsided slightly this week when Metro experimented with the "Fastball Express," which whisked passengers to Stadium-Armory in record time by skipping six stops. We may be biased, but we like the idea of "Express" trains.



④ I Scream for Lots of Ice Cream

Tall, grande and venti are so old-school. The latest size labeling system from Cold Stone Creamery (the folks who gave the world "Like it," "Love It" and "Gotta Have It") festoons their Cold Stone To Go containers. Instead of getting one of the monstrosities ginormous portions in a cup, customers can now get the mixed-up mashes packed up for pick up. The new monikers seem sure to give dietitians multiple heart attacks though: the "Mine" is an artery-closing pint (\$6), "Ours" is a quart (\$8) and "Everybody's" is 48 oz. (\$11).



① Mommy, I Want My Locust

Imagine the amusing stories parents can tell friends after their small children bond with one of the plushies in the Bag of Plagues (ages 3 and up, \$16, judaism.com). "Oh, that's just Jacob's beloved Black Cube of Darkness — he can't sleep without it!" Or, "awww, Madison can't go anywhere without her stuffed lice!" Astonishingly, this item is not wholly unique. Chosencouture.com offers a less satisfying Plague Bag of miniature plastic toys for \$12.



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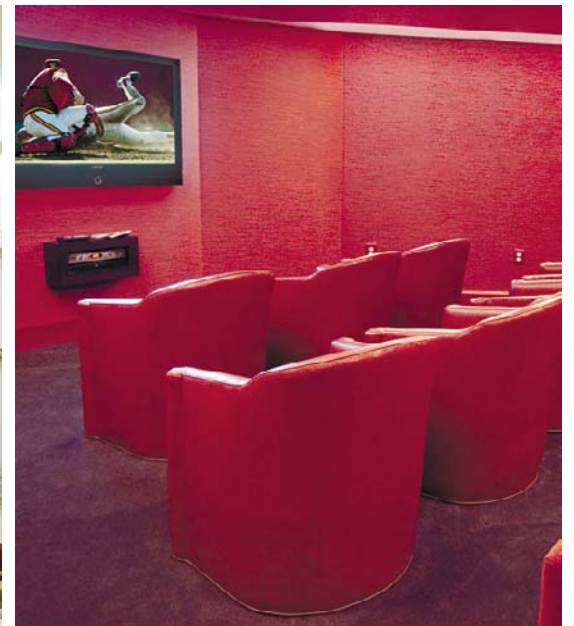
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Oh My, Maryland

Miss Md.'s chances are looking good

Baltimore will host 51 Miss USA hopefuls on April 21 (NBC, 9 p.m.), but the largest cheering section will no doubt be for Miss Maryland Melissa DiGiulian. The 20-year-old grew up in Bowie and Ocean City, so she's been traveling to many familiar places over the past two weeks as the contestants photo-oped their way across the state in preparation for the big show. She squeezed time to chat with Express' Vicky Hallett into her grueling rehearsal schedule.

How's the homefield advantage?

I wouldn't say it's an advantage. I'm enjoying being the hometown girl and I've been getting so much support. It's a comfort zone being here. When we went to Ocean City a few days ago, of course that was really fun. All the girls wanted to know what it was like in the summer. They're still waiting to taste the Maryland crab cakes.

What's the most nerve-wracking thing about being here?

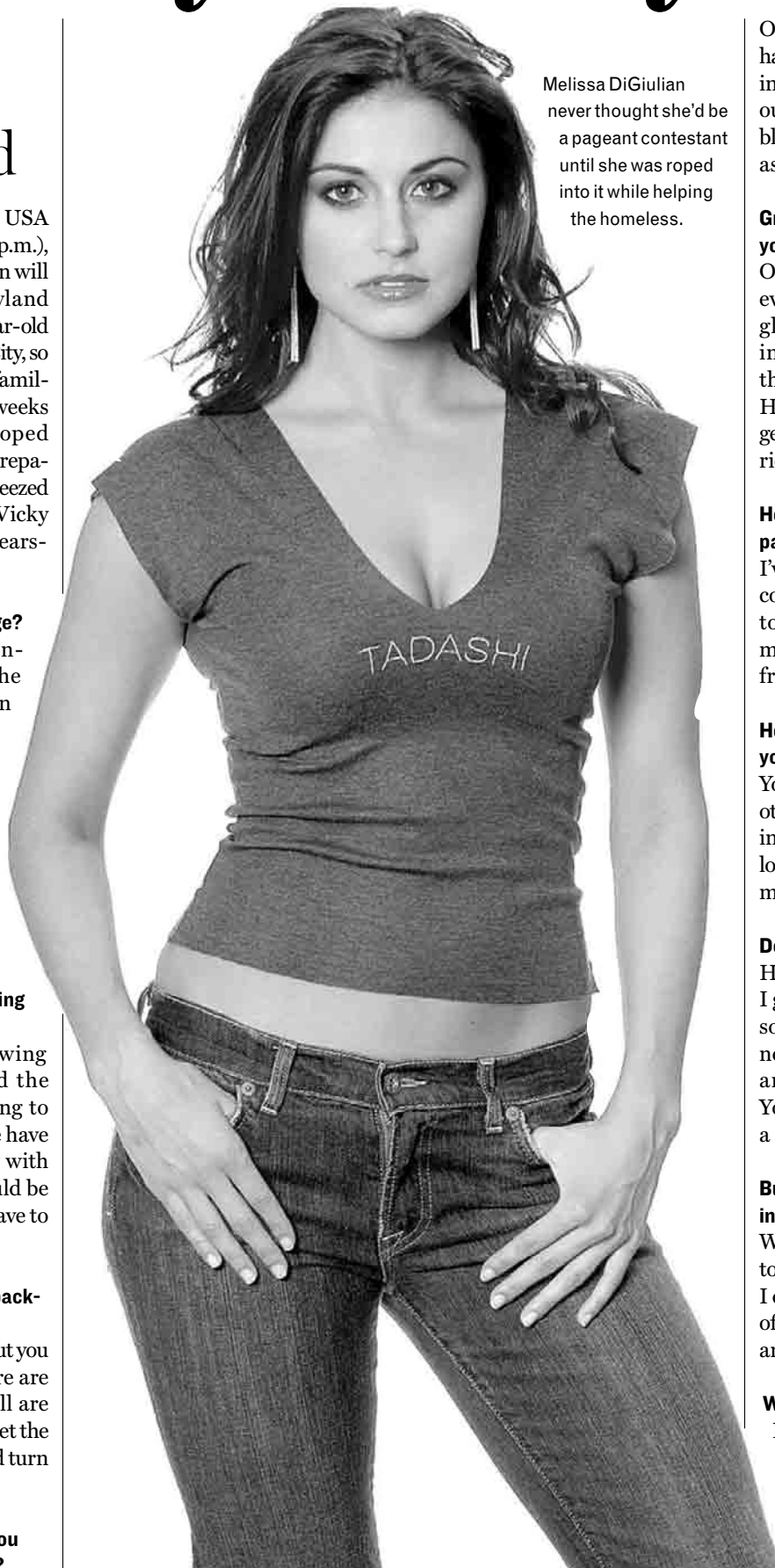
I almost think it's not knowing what to expect. We're told the night before what we're going to be doing the next day and we have to be ready. On another day with other judges, the results would be totally different. So we just have to stay focused.

How much cattiness is there backstage?

You know it's a competition. But you just have to be yourself. There are 51 gorgeous girls here and all are extremely talented. You can't let the petty things get in the way and turn it into survival of the fittest.

Any beauty pageant secrets you use, like Vaseline on your lips?

Melissa DiGiulian never thought she'd be a pageant contestant until she was roped into it while helping the homeless.



Of course. That's the main one. You have to because you're on stage smiling so long that your mouth dries out and your cheeks hurt. I used bleach to make my teeth as white as possible, too.

Growing up, did you ever think you'd be doing this?

Obviously, as a little girl, I thought everyone in the pageant looked so glamorous. But I grew up playing sports. I was involved with the group Happy Helpers for the Homeless and someone there suggested I try it. So this is a new experience for me.

How do you go from sporty to pageant-y?

I've always had a girly side. I had a coach train me on the proper way to walk and handle myself. The makeup and hair, you get that from experience.

How else has the pageant changed you?

You become comfortable with the other girls. You're constantly changing. Normally, I'd be saying, 'Don't look over here.' No one cares anymore.

Do boys treat you differently now?

Honestly, I joke about that because I got hit on more before. I've been so busy with Miss Maryland and now the Miss USA competition and we're always on the move. You're not in a position to meet a guy.

But aren't you all hitting the town in packs? That has to attract men.

We've been split into different groups to do activities all over the state, so I did get to play football with some of the Ravens. We practiced drills and our touchdown dances.

Where do you keep your crown?

I have a special box for it at home. It can be difficult to put on because it comes perfectly round and no one had a perfectly round head. You almost have to form it to your head.

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ANSWERS FROM THE SHOELOGGER

Could you help me pick out a pair of springy summer wedges? I am only 12 years old. I am also mostly broke. — MARGO

Ayyyyyyyy! This sort of the letter it is so very gratifying! It demonstrates that the Manolo's insidious scheme to implant the love of the super fantastic shoes into the hearts of a younger generation, it is succeeding. Soon, legions of the pre-teens will be following the advice of the humble shoeblogger, stalking through the local malls looking for the Jimmy Choo and the Marc Jacobs.

Of the course, the Manolo he also loves this letter because it is so simple and innocent, and because it does not contain the laundry list of the various ailments and malformations of the feet. Yes, it is true, even the Manolo experiences the compassion fatigue. Sometimes he wearies of hearing



about the bunions and the hammer toes and the questions that begin "does Christian Louboutin make shoes for my size 17 feet, which, by the way, are also exceedingly flat and excessively wide?"

But, look! It is now spring! And the young Margo needs the new shoes! So, here is the cute and affordable pair of the espadrille wedges from the Somethin' Else by Skechers (\$50, zappos.com). Are they not, just like the letter from the Margo, adorable?

On the Cover

Ian Merrill Peakes and Tonya Beckman Ross star in "The Game of Love and Chance" at the Folger Theatre. He wears Kapadia's shirt (\$187, Muléh). She sports Diane von Furstenberg's wrap dress (\$375, Intermix) and Kipepeo earrings (\$58, girlshop.com). See page 6 for stores. Wigs by Rayna Richardson. Photo by Michelle Repiso.

LOOK out **Styles**



↑ In 18th-century drawing rooms, revelers partied under candle-loaded chandeliers. Safer, yet still sparkly, this beaded, baubled fixture would rock a girly bathroom or boudoir. (\$89, PBTEEN.COM)

→ Tonya plays the coquette in For Love and Liberty's tunic and blouse (\$48 AND \$160, ALEX, 1 STREET NW BETWEEN 19TH AND 20TH STREETS; 202-296-2610), Beth Church's earrings (\$120, UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM) and Baci's brocade boots (\$79, ZAPPOS.COM). Model's own jeans and bracelet.



↑ To make her posh, snuggly throws, Los Angeles fabric artist Robin de Vick paints silk and rayon velvet with rich, are-we-at-Versailles? colors (yellows, reds, purples). (\$375, ART WITH FLOWERS, TYSONS GALLERIA; 703-903-6837)



↑ Gold flourishes and mahogany frame this Italian Rococo-style mirror. For a mod look, hang it over a contemporary lacquered table in a punchy color. (\$389, ETHAN ALLEN, ETHANALLEN.COM FOR STORES)



↑ Rami Kashou created this crisp yet poetic frock. Femme touches include puff sleeves, understated ruffles and a removable flower. (\$458, GIRLSHOP.COM)

Gilded Rage

A ruffle here, a cherub there, Baroque folks embellished everywhere. But dressing yourself — or your home — only in 18th-century bling could look a little too Scarlet Pimpernel. Now the Bach epoch's curvy lines, ornate fabrics and glitzy trims are inspiring new-millennium designers. "Old styles have been reinterpreted, like chandeliers painted black or shirts with subtle patterns," says Christopher Reiter of Muléh. So go ahead, wig out for this regal, romantic look. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)



→ Feather your ears with Kipepeo's goddessy earrings. Available in gold- or silver-tone, the long-but-light dangles add celestial chic to simple get-ups — cocktail dresses, solid-colored T-shirts. (\$58, GIRLSHOP.COM)

↑ "Conversation settees" once kept courting couples talking but not snogging. Now, this iron number could lend palace-garden panache to any backyard. (\$400, BALLARDDESIGNS.COM)

→ Wearing cherubim on your hiney might seem too cutesy, but the wings on Angelrox's jeans look just heavenly. A meshy, adjustable waistband makes them comfy, too. (\$164, UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM)



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← One part Bollywood and two parts glam milkmaid, a top from Plenty by Tracy Reese boasts gilded stripes, flowers and button trim. (\$248, INTERMIX, GEORGETOWN PARK; 202-298-8080)

→ Sequined skimmers are party-pretty, yet flat enough to dance a minuet in. (\$225, ZELAYA, 4940 ST. ELMO AVE., BETHESDA; 301-656-8550)



↑ Botticelli babes — the clothed ones, at least — would dig Beth Church's extravagant cuff made of French ribbon, Swarovski crystals and a vintage brooch. (\$110, UNSUNGDESIGNERS.COM)



→ Take a trip to Dandyland in these men's shirts by Just Cavalli, left, and Ralph Lauren Purple Label. Either would look foppishly fashionable paired with white or dark jeans. (\$390 AND \$450, NEIMAN MARCUS, TYSONS GALLERIA; 703-761-1600)



→ Richard Saja embroiders toile pillows with what he dubs "perverse narratives — devil tails, rabbit ears, mohawks." (\$184, HISTORICALLY INACCURATE.COM)



↓ Red, laser-cut plastic forms a cutting-edge candlestick. Use a black votive for drama. (\$22, MULEH, 1831 14TH ST. NW; 202-667-3440)



IDEA LIST



Oh la la: Zee very Baroque, very French Salon Doré at the Corcoran.

Guilty Pleasures

To really bask in Baroque and Rococo style, you'll need to jet to Prague or Paris. But here are some easier ways to go for the gold. J.B.

WIG OUTING: See our models in action (and in fab headpieces) in Pierre de Marivaux's frothy 1730 comedy "The Game of Love and Chance." Folger Theatre, 201 E. Capitol St. SE; Tue.-Thu., 7:30 p.m., Fri.-Sat., 8 p.m., Sat.-Sun., 2 p.m., \$30-\$49; 202-544-7077; folger.edu.

MY PRETTY PALACE: So you're bitter your fantasy of marrying a prince and living in a castle didn't work out. But hanging out in the mirrored, gold-and-white paneled glory of the Salon Doré at the Corcoran Gallery of Art might ease your pain. The 18th-century room once graced Paris' fancy-pants Hotel de Clermont. 500 17th St. NW; 202-639-1700; corcoran.org.

TICKLE ME, MOZART: Like Beanie Babies for sophisticates, stuffed composer dolls (\$20, philosophersguild.com) come with yarn wigs and brocade coats. Wind up the key on Bach's back and "Minuet in G" plays; with Mozart, you get "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik."

BABY'S GOT BACH: The exuberant sounds of Albinoni, Handel, Mozart et al star on "Essential Baroque: 35 Great Masterpieces" (\$18, amazon.com). Or, go for that neo-Baroque classic "Rock Me, Amadeus" on "Falco's Greatest Hits" (\$12, amazon.com).

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Anti-Flag takes over the 9:30 Club.

Anti-Flag. At only \$14, this daytime punk-rock show featuring five bands is a steal. The Casualties, the Unseen, Smoke or Fire and the AKAs open. 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Fri., 4:30 doors, \$14; 202-265-0930; 930.com. (U St.-Cardozo)

Chris Brown. The chart-topping teen-age R&B sensation comes to Washington. Howard's Cramton Auditorium, 2455 6th St. NW; Mon., 7 p.m., \$36; 202-397-7328; howard.edu/howardlife/cramton. (Shaw-Howard Univ.)

Juniper Lane. The local alt-rock band takes the main stage as Elevator to Space opens. Iota, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Sat., 9:30 p.m., \$10; 703-522-8340; iotaclubbandcafe.com. (Clarendon)

Magical Strings. The group combines traditional Celtic ditties with classical and world melodies featuring the harp and hammered dulcimer. Kennedy Center Millennium Stage, 2700 F St. NW; Sat., 6 p.m., free; 202-467-4600; kennedy-center.org.

Ute Lemper. The German vocalist is best known for her sultry renditions of cabaret classics, like the works of Kurt Weill and Jacques Brel. George Mason University, Center for the Arts, 4400 University Dr., Fairfax; Sat., 8 p.m., \$20-\$40; 888-945-2468; gmu.edu/cfa.

Half-Handed Cloud. Get your fix of biblical references in these hummable tunes. Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Sun., 9:45 p.m., \$5; 703-525-8646; galaxyhut.com. (Clarendon)

Regina Spektor. The young up-and-coming singer/songwriter somehow manages to rock a new genre of piano pop. 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Sun., 7:30 p.m., \$15; 202-265-0930; 930.com. (U St.-Cardozo)



Kids scramble to find eggs at the National Zoo's Easter family celebration.

...TAKE FAMILY

Quality Time

It's Easter/Passover weekend, meaning your family is probably all in town, sitting around and bored. Why not get out and enjoy the plethora of "family days" going on around town? The **AFRICAN AMERICAN FAMILY CELEBRATION**, a century-old annual tradition at the National Zoo, includes an Easter egg hunt, African animal demonstrations (think kori bustards, cheetahs and gaboon vipers), African drummers and dancing. (3001 Connecticut Ave. NW; Mon., 10 a.m.-4 p.m., free; 202-633-4800.) **EXPLORE THE UNIVERSE** with hands-on activities and The Chromatics, a band that combines astronomy and a cappella. (National Air and Space Museum, 6th Street and Independence Avenue SW; Sat., 10 a.m.-3 p.m., free; 202-633-1000; nasm.si.edu.) The **LIVING THE DREAM FESTIVAL** celebrates Martin Luther King Jr.; the parade will march down MLK Highway and end at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex, where various musical and carnival festivities will take be waiting. (8001 Sheriff Rd., Landover; Sat., 9 a.m.-6 p.m., free; 240-314-8316; pgsportsandlearn.com.)

... Enjoy Spring



Emma Pearson maneuvers an egg during last year's White House Egg Roll.

Daffodil Show. Brookside Gardens is home to the East Coast's largest daffodil show, which averages over 2,000 bloom entries annually. Wheaton Regional Park, 1800 Glennan Ave., Wheaton; Sat., 2 p.m.-5 p.m. and Sun., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., free; 301-962-1400; brooksidegardens.org.

Spring Garden Party. In a new tradition, the community is invited to George Washington's home for music, demonstrations and wagon rides through the gardens. Grab free packets of seeds or buy an heirloom plant at the garden gift sale, which runs every weekend through May 7. Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway; Sat. and Sun., \$6-\$13; 703-780-2000; mountvernon.org.

White House Easter Egg Roll. The annual tradition, dating back to the days when President Hayes reigned in the Oval Office, is a hit with the kids and a great photo op. South Lawn of the White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; Mon., 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., tickets distributed starting at 7:30 a.m. on Sat., free; 202-208-1631. (Farragut West)

... Gaze

Celebration of Masterworks. Slay the fatted calf — the Phillips Collection's prodigal painting has returned after four years on tour. Pierre-Auguste Renoir's "Luncheon of the Boating Party" arrives on Saturday, when the gallery will also unveil its \$27-million expansion. Expect events for all ages, plus a piano concert at 5 p.m. Sunday. 1600 21st St. NW; Sat., 12 p.m.-5 p.m. and Sun., 10 a.m.-7 p.m., free; 202-387-2151; phillipscollection.org. (Dupont Circle)

Micro-Monumental. Awww, look at the wittle-bitty sculptures! Squee over 47 match-book-sized sculptural objects — all about 3.5 x 2.5 inches — at the Flashpoint gallery. Opening reception 6 p.m. Thursday. 916 G St. NW; through May 27, free; 202-315-1305; flashpointdc.org. (Gallery Place-Chinatown)

The Smithsonian Craft Show. One's chances are better of getting into an Ivy League school than getting ceramics or basketry into this prestigious show. See what the masters can do with some wood and glass. National Building Museum, 401 8th St. NW; Thu. through April 23, \$12-15; 888-832-9554; smithsoniancraftshow.org. (Judiciary Square)



Renoir's showpiece returns home.

... Watch

Brett Leake. The "Tonight Show" regular brings his snarky real-life observations to the DC Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave. NW; Fri. and Sat., 8 and 10:30 p.m., \$17; 202-296-7008; dcimprov.com. (Farragut North)



The Canterbury Tales, Part I. The Royal Shakespeare Company reinterprets Geoffrey Chaucer's sometimes-raunchy tales of human nature. Part II starts Wednesday. Kennedy Center Eisenhower Theater, 2700 F St. NW; Sat. through May 6, \$25-\$78; 202-467-4600; kennedy-center.org. (Foggy Bottom-GWU)

Champions on Ice. As if the sequel to "The Cutting Edge" wasn't enough skating for the year, Olympians are coming to town. Verizon Center, 601 F St. NW; Sat., 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; \$30-\$175; 800-551-7328; verizoncenter.com. (Gallery Place)



The rockfish was thisssssssss big!

... Play

Cal Ripken Jr. The local baseball legend signs his new book, "Parenting Young Athletes the Ripken Way: Ensuring the Best Experience for Your Kids in Any Sport." Olsson's, 2111 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Fri., 5:30 p.m., free; 703-525-4227; olssons.com. (Court House)

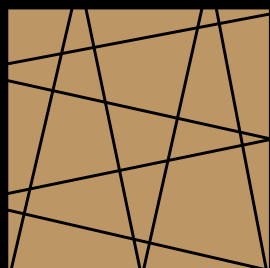
Frederic J. Frommer. The author discusses "The Washington Nationals 1859 to Today," a history of D.C. baseball from the original Nationals to the Homestead Grays to today's team. Politics and Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; Sat., 1 p.m., free; 202-364-1919; politics-prose.com.

Golf Tournament. Hit the greens to benefit the American Urological Association Foundation and enjoy a barbecue lunch and dinner. Hidden Creek Country Club, 1711 Clubhouse Rd., Reston; Mon., 1 p.m., \$125; 410-689-4034.

Opening Day Rockfish Tournament. Kick off the fishing season at dawn, then join the after-party, where proceeds will benefit area conservation efforts. The party's at Boatyard Bar & Grill, 400 4th St., Eastport; Sat., 4 p.m.-8 p.m., \$150 a boat; 410-336-8880.

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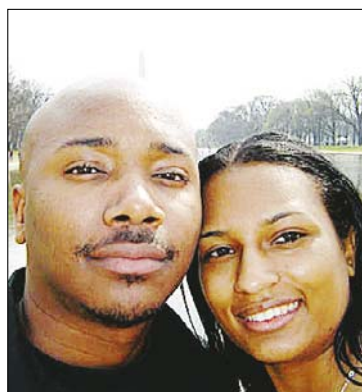
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Ronald Freeman Jr., Natasha Maharajh

Ronald, 24, is a computer analyst. Natasha, 23, is a telecommunications analyst. They live in Frederick.

WEDDING: July 1. Their evening ceremony and reception will overlook the Chesapeake waterfront in Rose Haven, Md. "When we show people a picture, they always ask if we're having a destination wedding."

HONEYMOON: Seven days in the Bahamas, then five in Las Vegas.

HOW THEY MET: During freshman ori-

entation at Towson University.

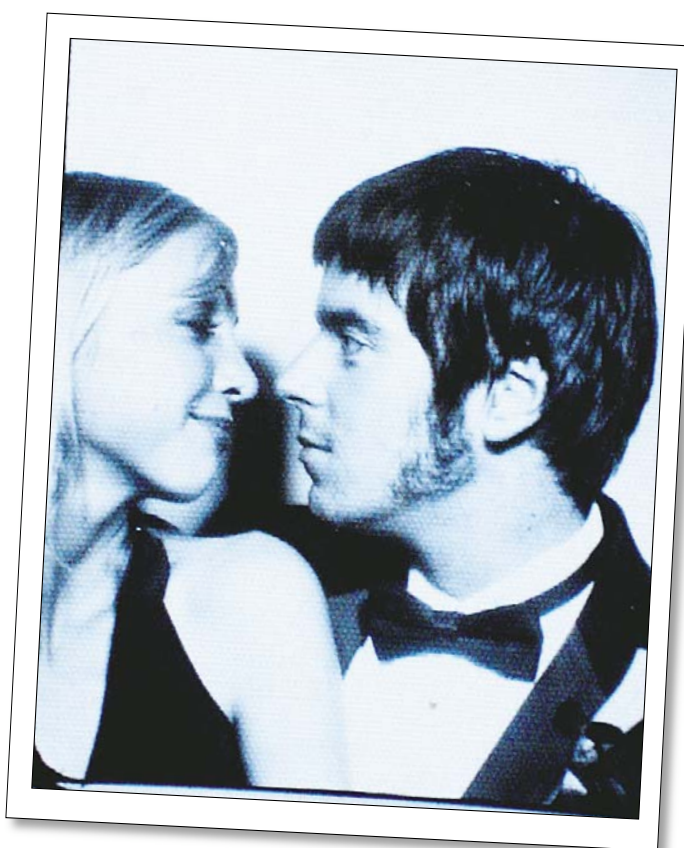
FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "I thought he was cute," said Natasha. "I knew she wanted me from the moment we met," said Ronald.

FIRST DATE: The National Aquarium in Baltimore.

THEIR SONG: "Love" by Musiq. "There's a line, 'At first you didn't mean that much to me, but now I know that you're all I need.' When we first heard that part, we laughed, because when we first started dating we didn't think it would last long."

STUPIDEST FIGHT: They argue over the remote almost every night, even though they have three TVs. "We always want to be around each other if we are at home," they said.

“I knew I wanted to marry Ronald when we started discussing 'grown-up' decisions.”



Sleepless in Spain

While **LAURA BURHENN** was organizing a concert to benefit victims of Hurricane Katrina at American University last September, **JEFF JETTON** was secretly planning the perfect proposal. The couple, who met in 2004 on myspace.com, were supposed to leave for Spain the morning after the show. They hadn't packed a thing and hadn't slept either, since Jeff ran out of gas on his way to tie up loose ends at work, and Laura had to drive out to Maryland to rescue him — at 3 a.m.! While they managed to make their 8 a.m. flight, Jeff forgot the ring.

After convincing a friend to overnight the ring, everything fell into place. "We drank too-expensive whiskey and Cokes in a swanky hotel in Madrid, Laura tripped and hurt her leg, we ran into a friend-of-a-friend (in Spain of all places), and then I asked her to marry me in this beautiful square in the heart of the city," Jeff said. "The night was perfectly imperfect," Laura added, "and I said yes."

Jeff, 30, is a revenue manager at Marriott Corporate Headquarters. Laura, 25, is a musician who performs solo and with her band, Georgie James. They live in Washington and will marry June 10 in Leesburg.



Anastasia Tjoumas, Kevin Walter

Anastasia, 25, is an operations specialist. She goes by Stacie. Kevin, 32, is a fish biologist. They will live in Silver Spring.

WEDDING: April 29. Their Greek Orthodox ceremony in the District will be followed by a formal reception in Greenbelt.

HOW THEY MET: In an online chat room, when she lived in Virginia and he lived in Pennsylvania.

FIRST DATE: Stacie visited Kevin for Valentine's Day in 2003 — strictly as friends. "I was greeted with a nice spaghetti dinner and, for dessert, he drove more than 45 minutes to buy my favorite ice cream," said

“Stacie was a bit shy at first ... but the snowstorm allowed me to get to know her more deeply.”

Stacie. Then, a snowstorm stranded her with him for four days.

HOW HE PROPOSED: On the beach. Kevin surprised Stacie with a trip to the Outer Banks (he even arranged time off with her boss beforehand).

WEDDING TRADITIONS: "We do not say vows in a Greek Orthodox ceremony," said Stacie. "We walk around a table and wear 'crowns' called 'stefana.'" "Whenever a fraternity brother of mine gets married, they play 'You Never Even Call Me by My Name' by David Allen Coe," said Kevin.

Karen Ogden, Frank Olmstead

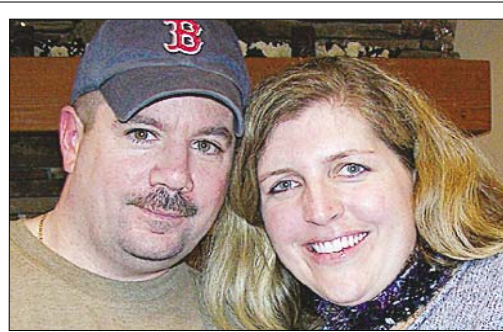
Karen, 35, is the development director of the Marrow Foundation. Frank, 42, is on active duty in the U.S. Army and recently returned from Iraq. They live in Alexandria.

WEDDING: April 29, at a hotel in Cambridge, Md. After the outdoor ceremony, a bagpiper will lead the 150 guests to the cocktail hour. Then they'll head indoors for the reception.

HOW THEY MET: On Yahoo, though Frank tells people he bought Karen on eBay.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: "Online, I thought, who is this guy and how dare he say I have no life? ... In person, I thought, hmm, not half-bad."

HOW HE PROPOSED: Frank needed a little help in this department. Karen guided him through the



process, helping him buy the ring and even pop the question. But though she instructed him to ask her father for her hand, he man-

aged to skip that step.

THEIR SONG: "It Is You (I Have Loved)" by Dana Glover, from the "Shrek" soundtrack. "It took me a good week to listen to it because I could not figure out why he was sending me the 'Shrek' soundtrack from Iraq," said Karen.

PET NAMES: Frank calls Karen BooBear.

WEDDING TRADITIONS: The ceremony will have some Irish, Scottish and English touches, such as the ringing of bells to ward off evil spirits. And Karen's niece will sing five songs during the ceremony.



Getting Married? If you'd like to see your wedding or commitment ceremony in B.I.O., send your favorite informal photo (wacky is fine, but please don't send a formal engagement shot), plus your names, contact info and the ceremony date to weddings@readexpress.com. We'll contact you with some questions as your big day approaches. Our space is limited, but we'll do our best to include as many as we can.

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How to Play

The rules of Samurai Sudoku are the same as in the popular Sudoku puzzles that appear in Express and The Washington Post.

As with standard Sudoku, the Samurai version requires no math, just logic, reasoning ... and an iron will. The goal is to fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles.

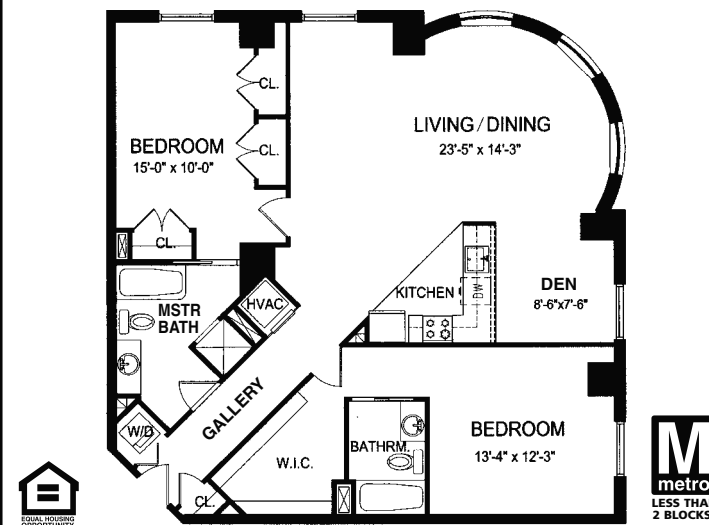
A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another. As always, there's only one solution, which will appear in next week's edition of LookOut Weekend.

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